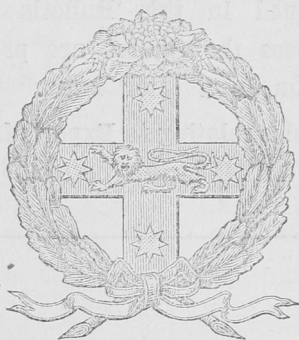


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MEMORANDA.

Trade.—The Oversea imports during September were valued at £1,986,165, and show a decrease of £1,068,685, or nearly 35 per cent., as compared with the corresponding month of last year. The total for three months, July to September, 1917, was £5,589,278, a decrease of £3,591,680, or over 39 per cent. in comparison with the corresponding period in 1916.

Imports at Sydney.—Excluding the value of the imports from State ports, the articles imported at the port of Sydney in September were valued at £2,322,225. The following is a summary of the imports during the month :—

					Weight and Measurement.	Value.
					tons.	£
Imports Oversea	...	...	...	...	51,593	1,969,800
„ Interstate	...	...	...	...	15,448	352,425
„ From State Ports	...	...	...	...	42,508	not available.
Transhipments—						
Oversea...	...	...	...	...	9,189	„
Interstate	...	...	...	...	6,052	„
To State Ports	...	...	...	...	2,813	„

A few special articles, denoted by number in the detailed table within, have been converted into weight or measurement, and are included in the above statement. During the three months ended September, 1917, the oversea imports were valued at £5,506,744, and the interstate imports at £2,817,738, the total of the two being £8,324,482.

Public Finances.—The Public Accounts for September show that the net revenue for the month was £1,244,592 or £234,680 less than in September of last year, a decrease of 15·9 per cent. During the three months ended 30th September, the revenue was £3,855,640, being £507,802, or 11·6 per cent. less than in the corresponding period of the last financial year.

Principal increases during the three months were—	£
From Public Lands	34,923
„ Water and Sewerage Rates ...	25,374

Principal decreases during the same period were—	
From Taxation	189,558
„ Railways and Tramways ...	355,718
„ Other Services	5,874
„ Pilotage, Harbour Dues, &c. ...	4,733

The expenditure during September was £1,457,473—a decrease of £806,485, or 35·6 per cent., as compared with September of last year. During the three months ended 30th September the expenditure was £4,755,254, being £708,831, or 13 per cent., less than in 1916–17.

Principal increase during the three months was—	£
Government Departments	47,424

Principal decreases during the same period were—	
Business Undertakings	278,107
Interest Repayments	478,148

On the 30th September, 1917, the Consolidated Revenue Account was in debit to the amount of £1,419,175.

Banks.—The banking averages for the quarter ended 30th September indicate a sound position. Compared with the corresponding period of last year, there was a decrease of £3,067,934 in current accounts, and in deposits as a whole (which include Commonwealth Savings Bank deposits amounting to £3,892,943) of £1,199,211, the deposits bearing interest indicating an increase of £1,868,723. The reserves of coin and bullion decreased during the year by £173,437 and increased by £497,498 during the quarter. Advances increased by £1,959,971 during the quarter, and during the year by £5,672,780. The proportion of cash, bullion, and notes to total liabilities now stands at 27·9 per cent. Included in the cash held is an amount of £10,781,937 new Australian notes, as against £13,983,869 for September of the previous year.

Savings Banks.—The latest returns show that at the 30th June, 1917, there were 872,351 depositors, having £40,836,747 on deposit. This shows an increase of £3,473,475 in deposits during the year. The average amount on deposit was nearly £47 per depositor and £22 per inhabitant.

Railways.—The report on Railways for the quarter ended 30th September shows that, compared with the corresponding quarter of last year, the earnings decreased by £377,229, and the working expenses by £233,060, the net result being a decrease in earnings of £144,169, entirely owing to the effects of the industrial strife. Relatively the earnings increased by 3s. 1½d., and the expenditure by 2s. 6½d. per train mile.

The total earnings for all lines of Tramways during the quarter amounted to £346,539, and the working expenses to £314,030, leaving a surplus of £32,509. There was a decrease of over 23 million passengers carried, in comparison with the figures of the third quarter of the previous year, owing to the tram strike.

Gold Production.—The gold yield during September was 4,874 oz. crude, equal to 4,670 oz. fine, valued at £19,836, and showed a decrease of 2,788 oz. fine, and £11,845 in value, compared with September of last year. The value of gold produced during the nine months was £254,097, and showed a decrease of 7,286 oz. fine, and £30,954 in value, in the figures for the corresponding period of 1916.

Cost of Living, Sydney.—From the information collected each month (see Table 52, as to the retail prices in Sydney of food and groceries), it appears that in September, 1917, prices were 41·0 per cent. higher than in July, 1914, 7·2 per cent. higher than in September, 1916, and 2·1 per cent. higher than in the preceding month, August, 1917.

Meat, which is included in the results quoted above, shows prices in September, 1917, 93·4 per cent. higher than in July, 1914, 16·4 per cent. higher than in September, 1916, and 5·9 per cent. higher than in August, 1917. Meat prices again showed a decided advance, owing to the continuation of the strike, and were almost double those ruling immediately prior to the outbreak of war. Potatoes, onions, bacon and ham, advanced slightly in price, and butter, eggs and starch, eased a little.

The following is a statement of the price levels since July, 1914, the levels for which were taken as base and called 100 :—

Month.	Meat.	Other Food and Groceries.	Meat, other Food and Groceries combined.
July, 1914.....	100	100	100
Sept., 1915.....	166·8	121·5	133·2
„ 1916.....	166·2	119·5	131·6
April, 1917.....	171·0	122·2	134·8
May, „	162·4	122·0	132·4
June, „	158·8	122·1	131·6
July, „	162·5	121·6	132·1
August, „	182·7	122·6	138·1
Sept., „	193·4	122·8	141·0

Land Selections.—During September, 74 applications were made for 31,883 acres under the Crown Lands Act; and 43,553 acres, representing 168 blocks, were gazetted for residential settlement, which include areas set apart for returned soldiers. Since the beginning of the year the number of applications has been 820, and the area applied for 402,936 acres. The original area gazetted for residential settlement since the 1st January is 654,906 acres, representing 1,380 blocks.

Meteorology.—In the first week of the month rather acute dryness, due to the predominance of westerly winds, was experienced in all parts of New South Wales, except in the southern highlands, but during the remaining period the weather conditions were characterised by the frequency of monsoonal storms which occurred over the State, and resulted, generally, in substantial rains, exceeding the average. A few isolated places, viz., portions of the extreme South Coast, parts of the Central Western Slopes, and North Coast, and at a few scattered stations, were an exception, but the shortages were slight. Many heavy falls were registered at various centres, ranging from 7 to over 10 inches, and in some instances, the aggregate totals were equal to two or even three months' average. At Sydney 542 points were recorded, or $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches above the general average. In the third week a violent storm, of gale force, accompanied by heavy rain, visited the Coastal area, and was the means of causing considerable damage, especially in the Metropolis. The temperature during the first three weeks was extremely varied, being marked by frequent cold spells, which eventually changed to advanced Spring weather conditions.

Vital Statistics — Sydney and Suburbs — September, 1917.—The births registered numbered 1,645, equal to 25·82 per 1,000 of population ; of the total, 838 were males and 807 females. The rate is 8 per cent. below the average of the previous five years.

The deaths numbered 573, namely, 326 males and 247 females, equal to a rate of 8·99 per 1,000 of population. The mortality rate is very satisfactory, being 21 per cent. below the average of the previous five years. The deaths were below the average in all age-groups.

The infantile mortality was 49·2 per 1,000 births, being 25 per cent. below the average for the previous five years, and with the exception for the month of October in the years 1911 and 1914, is the lowest recorded for ten years.

New Buildings—Metropolis.—According to returns supplied by the several Town Clerks there were erected, in the Metropolitan area, during September, 306 new buildings, as compared with 386 in September, 1916.

The total for the nine months, January to September, was 3,829 as compared with 4,189 during the corresponding period of 1916.

Wheat Areas, 1917.—See Table 61.

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No. 1.—Population.

Year.	Estimated Population at end of Year.			Annual Increase.		Mean Population.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Numerical.	Per cent.	
1906	779,666	718,943	1,498,609	29,456	2'00	1,484,600
1907	795,635	736,345	1,531,980	33,371	2'23	1,517,900
1908	809,240	750,786	1,560,026	28,046	1'83	1,545,700
1909	829,329	767,356	1,596,685	36,659	2'35	1,577,200
1910	852,680	785,540	1,638,220	41,535	2'60	1,616,200
1911	889,391	809,345	1,698,736*	62,240*	3'80	1,664,500*
1912	935,979	842,983	1,778,962	80,226	4'72	1,738,600
1913	962,749	869,707	1,832,456	53,494	3'01	1,809,400
1914	967,033	894,995	1,862,028	29,572	1'61	1,853,400
1915	953,162	917,253	1,870,415	8,387	'45	1,868,200
1916	923,113	934,807	1,857,920	(-)12,495	(-) '67	1,866,300
1917—31st March	921,964	939,788	1,861,752	...	...	...
„ 30th June	921,566	945,890	1,867,456	...	...	...

The population includes Aborigines of full-blood, viz., 2,012, of whom 1,152 are males and 860 females.

* The population since 1st January, 1911, is exclusive of Federal Capital Area, the population of which at the Census on 2nd April was 1,724, of whom 997 were males and 727 females.

No. 2.—Marriages, Births, and Deaths.

Year.	Births.	Deaths.	Marriages.	Annual Rate per 1,000 Population.			Infantile Mortality.
				Births.	Deaths.	Marriages.	Deaths under one year per 1,000 Births.
1905	39,501	14,978	10,970	27'15	10'30	7'54	80'55
1906	40,948	14,975	11,551	27'58	10'09	7'78	74'53
1907	42,195	16,410	12,189	27'80	10'81	8'03	88'64
1908	42,525	16,090	12,642	27'51	10'41	8'18	75'70
1909	43,769	15,840	13,048	27'75	10'04	8'27	74'28
1910	45,533	16,191	14,294	28'17	10'02	8'85	74'61
1911	47,677	17,179	15,267	28'64	10'32	9'17	69'49
1912	51,993	18,886	16,664	29'90	10'86	9'58	71'30
1913	52,134	19,732	16,311	28'81	10'91	9'01	78'34
1914	53,615	18,777	17,353	28'93	10'13	9'36	69'72
1915	52,885	19,610	18,129	28'31	10'50	9'70	68'13
1916	52,075	19,854	16,320	27'90	10'64	8'74	67'84
Jan. to June, 1917	26,471	9,083	6,559	...	...	...	59'0
„ „ 1916	25,736	9,892	8,746	27'54	10'59	9'36	73'4
April to June, 1917	13,235	4,577	3,421	...	...	...	54'0
„ „ 1916	12,781	4,909	4,171	25'94	10'52	8'94	64'6

No. 3.—Movement of Population.

Year.	Arrivals.					Departures.				
	By Sea.		By Land.		Total.	By Sea.		By Land.		Total.
	Males.	Females	Males.	Females		Males.	Females	Males.	Females	
1906	50,257	29,208	75,352	38,518	193,335	47,797	27,624	75,658	38,773	189,852
1907	65,684	35,441	93,152	47,061	241,338	59,731	31,017	95,323	47,681	233,752
1908	66,156	35,433	94,885	48,685	245,159	60,474	33,047	99,282	50,745	243,548
1909	69,330	36,580	96,069	48,130	250,509	59,729	32,775	98,878	50,397	241,779
1910	72,421	39,104	108,870	54,821	275,216	62,093	34,421	109,941	56,568	263,023
1911	92,260	49,398	132,988	65,470	340,125	71,308	39,987	130,745	66,343	308,383
1912	106,187	57,601	147,629	73,980	385,397	81,722	43,288	141,032	72,236	338,278
1913	92,925	53,824	156,536	77,905	381,190	81,087	44,097	156,695	78,219	360,098
1914	91,413	51,730	167,833	89,183	400,159	98,626	47,311	172,769	86,719	405,425
1915	70,586	39,512	181,874	94,081	386,053	104,215	36,979	177,764	91,983	410,941
1916	58,913	36,198	197,954	105,076	398,141	112,469	36,652	189,561	104,175	442,857
Jan. to June, 1917	27,906	17,983	89,855	55,238	190,982	38,616	16,909	89,116	54,193	198,834
„ 1916	33,808	21,268	100,010	56,116	211,202	61,471	20,366	101,071	56,689	239,597
Apl. to June, 1917	12,902	7,390	44,876	26,187	91,355	19,069	7,119	43,328	24,793	94,309
„ 1916	15,920	9,402	47,935	26,783	100,040	34,945	9,266	47,314	25,958	117,483

No. 4.—Countries whence Immigrants arrived.

Year.	Other Australian States.		United Kingdom.	New Zealand.	Other Countries.	Total.
	By Land.	By Sea.				
1906	113,870	48,294	5,641	16,525	9,005	193,335
1907	140,213	58,734	8,464	21,588	12,339	241,338
1908	143,570	56,582	10,537	20,612	13,858	245,159
1909	144,199	55,285	15,057	23,040	12,928	250,509
1910	163,691	58,146	16,537	22,410	14,432	275,216
1911	198,458	71,262	24,217	27,008	19,180	340,125
1912	221,609	75,872	36,925	26,696	24,295	385,397
1913	234,441	71,490	30,318	23,284	21,657	381,190
1914	257,016	75,875	19,936	25,290	22,042	400,159
1915	275,955	65,736	7,299	18,037	19,026	386,053
1916	303,030	55,423	2,721	15,065	21,902	398,141
Jan. to June, 1917	145,093	27,192	351	7,189	11,157	190,982
„ 1916	156,126	33,189	1,675	9,002	11,210	211,202
April to June, 1917	71,063	10,902	36	3,889	5,465	91,355
„ 1916	74,718	13,939	830	4,624	5,929	100,040

No. 5.—Countries for which Emigrants departed.

Year.	Other Australian States.		United Kingdom.	New Zealand.	Other Countries.	Total.
	By Land.	By Sea.				
1906	114,431	45,060	4,789	15,994	9,578	189,852
1907	143,004	53,333	5,176	21,201	11,038	233,752
1908	150,027	51,590	7,467	22,141	12,323	243,548
1909	149,275	54,756	6,766	17,812	13,170	241,779
1910	166,509	56,722	7,834	17,247	14,711	263,023
1911	197,088	66,922	8,837	18,593	16,943	308,383
1912	213,268	71,179	11,647	19,691	22,493	338,278
1913	234,914	68,923	13,002	20,767	22,492	360,098
1914	259,488	71,875	15,426	23,213	35,423	405,425
1915	269,747	58,811	6,506	17,927	57,950	410,941
1916	293,736	51,624	3,522	15,902	78,073	442,857
Jan. to June, 1917	143,309	26,098	2,435	5,650	21,342	198,834
„ 1916	157,760	30,398	2,045	8,465	40,929	239,597
April to June, 1917	68,121	11,606	2,233	2,203	10,146	94,309
„ 1916	73,272	13,239	1,411	3,971	25,590	117,483

No. 6.—Population—Metropolis.

Year.	Estimated Population at end of Year.			Annual Increase.		Mean Population.
	Sydney (including Shipping).	Suburbs.	Total.	Numerical.	Per cent.	
1906	110,760	449,040	559,800	17,910	3'31	550,900
1907	112,000	465,180	577,180	17,380	3'10	568,500
1908	112,900	479,200	592,100	14,920	2'58	584,700
1909	120,660	485,240	605,900	13,800	2'33	599,000
1910	119,800	502,430	622,230	16,330	2'70	614,100
1911	118,800	538,000	656,800	34,570	5'56	639,500
1912	116,400	578,400	694,800	38,000	5'79	675,800
1913	115,900	609,500	725,400	30,600	4'40	710,100
1914	110,700	641,800	752,500	27,100	3'74	741,200
1915	104,200	658,800	763,000	10,500	1'31	757,750
1916	106,000	658,600	764,600	1,600	0'21	763,800

NOTE.—The population of Ku-ring-gai Shire (14,340 on 31st December, 1916) is included above as from 1st January, 1911.

No. 7.—Vital Statistics—Metropolis.

Year.	Births.	Deaths.		Marriages.	Annual Rate per 1,000 Population.			Infantile Mortality.
		Total.	Under one year.		Births.	Deaths.	Marriages.	Deaths under one year per 1,000 Births.
1906	13,984	5,703	1,176	5,248	25'38	10'35	9'53	84'1
1907	14,334	6,238	1,380	5,474	25'21	10'97	9'63	96'3
1908	14,861	6,036	1,229	5,974	25'42	10'32	10'22	82'7
1909	15,461	6,149	1,261	6,367	25'81	10'27	10'62	81'6
1910	16,204	6,365	1,329	6,931	26'39	10'36	11'29	82'0
1911	17,829	6,973	1,268	7,640	27'88	10'90	11'95	71'1
1912	20,140	7,681	1,530	8,923	29'80	11'37	13'20	76'0
1913	20,535	7,938	1,608	8,892	28'92	11'18	12'52	78'3
1914	20,821	7,603	1,452	9,479	28'09	10'26	12'79	69'7
1915	20,871	8,189	1,512	10,122	27'54	10'81	13'58	72'4
1916	20,856	8,156	1,428	9,009	27'31	10'66	11'80	68'5
Jan.-Sept., 1917	15,576	5,735	914	.....	27'17	10'01	.....	58'7
„ 1916	15,694	6,210	1,102	6,832	27'40	10'87	11'93	70'2
September, 1917	1,645	573	81	.....	25'82	8'99	.....	49'2
„ 1916	1,714	728	123	853	27'00	11'40	13'44	61'3

No. 8.—Health of the Metropolis—September, 1917.

In calculating the averages for previous five years, due allowance has been made for increase in population.

Particulars.			September, 1917.	Average of September, for previous five years.	Causes of Death.		September, 1917.	Average of September, for previous five years.
Births	...	...	1,645	1,794	Diseases of the Heart	...	71	76
Deaths	...	...	573	721	Pulmonary Diseases...	...	61	104
					Cancer	...	49	61
Illegitimate Births	...	...	100	132	Developmental Diseases of	...	47	67
Deaths under 1	...	...	81	117	Infants.	...		
„ 1-4	...	...	19	63	Bright's Disease (Acute and	...	44	47
„ 5-64	...	...	290	355	Chronic).	...		
„ 65 and over	...	...	183	187	Senility	...	34	30
Annual Rates per 1,000 of					Phthisis	...	25	34
Population—					Accident	...	23	22
Births	...	...	25'82	28'15	Hæmorrhage of the Brain, &c.	...	20	25
Deaths	...	...	8'99	11'32	Diarrhoea and Enteritis	...	18	20
Illegitimate Births	...	...	1'57	2'07	Epidemic Diseases	...	9	57
Deaths under 1 per 1,000 Births	...	...	49'2	65'2				

No. 10.—Trade.

Year.	Imports.			Exports.		
	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1907	18,595,804	20,860,391	39,456,195	15,880,905	32,894,073	48,774,978
1908	17,814,260	19,828,486	37,642,746	14,105,050	26,880,709	40,985,759
1909	17,146,943	20,888,019	38,034,962	15,792,608	26,044,789	41,837,397
1910	*12,623,428	23,238,993	†	*10,307,115	32,035,451	†
1911	†	27,343,428	†	†	32,161,401	†
1912	†	32,303,630	†	†	32,958,529	†
1913	†	32,350,663	†	†	32,839,789	†
(Jan. to June) 1914	} †	16,677,336	†	†	15,738,313	†
1914-15	†	27,323,243	†	†	28,107,025	†
1915-16	†	33,379,698	†	†	40,975,416	†
1916-17	†	32,740,566	†	†	42,146,705	†

* Information, 1st January to 13th September inclusive.

† Not available.

No. 11.—Trade Comparison—Oversea Imports—Monthly.

Month.	1913-14.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-17.	1917-18.	(+) Increase. (-) Decrease in 1917-18.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
July ...	2,897,361	3,284,693	2,814,485	2,871,984	2,334,439	(-) 537,545
August...	2,660,299	2,919,146	3,532,624	3,254,124	1,268,674	(-) 1,985,450
September ...	3,080,492	2,088,007	2,486,149	3,054,850	1,986,165	(-) 1,068,685
Total (3 months)	8,638,152	8,291,846	8,833,258	9,180,958	5,589,278	(-) 3,591,680

No. 12.—Principal Articles Imported Oversea, Annually.

Article.	1914-15.		1915-16.		1916-17.*	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
Ale and Beer—Bottle... gal.	849,380	137,023	531,014	94,928	252,885	59,057
Bulk	98,159	8,642	13,390	1,299	.....	.....
Apparel and Attire ... ..	.....	802,082	.....	888,053	.....	1,058,681
Socks and Stockings ... ..	.....	342,932	.....	449,916	.....	427,751
Bags and Sacks—						
Bran, Chaff, &c. ... doz.	621,506	158,728	478,951	161,267	280,979	88,877
Corn and Flour	1,175,870	376,468	1,227,292	426,049	2,004,112	589,320
Woolpacks	1,223,680	164,577	1,090,333	155,040	960,772	141,998
Other	72,814	16,067	52,875	12,018	55,212	12,752
Bags, Purses, N.E.I. ... ..	.....	77,166	.....	101,806	.....	109,174
Blankets, and Blanketing ... ..	.....	5,672	.....	55,598	.....	60,492
Books (Printed) &c. ... ..	.....	229,322	.....	223,267	.....	205,581
Boots and Shoes ... ..	.....	296,099	.....	179,350	.....	227,308
Bullion—						
Gold—Bar, Ingots, &c. oz.	76,013	299,692	121,010	489,193	37,361	192,836
Silver—Bar, Ingots, &c. oz.	9,002	991	495	53	3,494	499
Canvas and Duck ... ..	.....	123,498	.....	231,798	.....	189,465
Carpets and Carpeting ... ..	.....	140,706	.....	166,772	.....	168,342
Cement (Portland) ... cwt.	175,097	18,027	113,736	18,351	1,982	327
Clocks and Watches ... ..	.....	102,690	.....	156,507	.....	131,606
Cocoa and Chocolate ... lb.	1,723,804	124,399	2,630,858	203,732	2,888,825	200,393
Confectionery, N.E.I. ... lb.	2,820,069	154,855	1,616,894	77,190	1,137,161	62,970
Copper—						
Pipes and Tubes (plain) cwt.	6,119	29,956	2,948	18,432	2,160	14,594
Copra	305,645	295,030	269,728	277,827	247,308	281,752
Cordage and Twines—						
Sewing Silks, &c. ... ..	.....	180,457	.....	199,561	.....	294,121
Cosies, Cushions, &c. ... ..	.....	36,067	.....	28,474	.....	209,608
Cutlery, N.E.I. ... ..	.....	119,763	.....	127,706	.....	132,954
Drugs and Chemicals—						
Cream of Tartar ... cwt.	14,533	93,771	28,846	207,460	7,572	50,060
Other free ... ..	.....	147,766	.....	161,603	.....	212,908
Earthenware, &c. ... ..	.....	111,344	.....	111,620	.....	86,693
Electrical Articles—						
Cable and Wire covered cwt.	29,666	137,979	42,882	190,946	38,736	192,172
Fancy Goods ... ..	.....	150,694	.....	161,330	.....	147,959
Fish—Preserved in tins, &c. lb.	7,427,313	238,727	10,442,557	332,568	8,866,632	305,666
Floor Cloths and Coverings ... ..	.....	190,167	.....	167,455	.....	195,750
Fruits, Fresh—Apples cental	56,535	59,733	64,560	70,716	24,173	46,103
Bananas	130,666	97,273	190,442	109,320	254,310	139,380
Other ... ..	.....	18,695	.....	23,222	10,367	19,477
Furniture ... ..	.....	70,441	.....	44,724	.....	28,124
Gloves ... ..	.....	78,600	.....	71,711	.....	95,751
Grain—Maize ... ..centals	357,546	133,203	1,154,634	449,949	19,550	6,964
Oats	256,038	137,584	518,755	276,428	201	112
Rice	211,818	87,035	545,111	239,974	231,441	127,748
Hats and Caps ... ..	.....	197,164	.....	224,625	.....	148,301
Hessians ... ..	.....	172,885	.....	153,930	.....	162,090
Instruments—						
Kinematographs, &c. ... ..	.....	161,663	.....	178,507	.....	183,799
Pianos	No. 3,862	111,603	4,806	141,641	4,431	126,414
Parts ... ..	.....	18,070	.....	19,546	.....	29,908
Iron and Steel—						
Bar, Rod, Angle, Tee cwt.	617,364	273,818	580,650	331,143	478,170	424,550
Girders, Beams	238,426	80,865	140,792	76,037	75,187	58,000
Pig	157,004	27,253	147,620	34,497	62,413	18,615
Plate and Sheet—						
Galvanised	553,694	482,836	476,222	692,787	209,490	331,747
Not galvanised	281,034	113,618	289,949	161,395	163,191	128,215
Jewellery ... ..	.....	106,114	.....	88,892	.....	81,930
Precious stones, unset ... ..	.....	157,883	.....	154,521	.....	164,589
Leather ... ..	.....	152,803	.....	117,915	.....	207,791
Machines and Machinery—						
Agricultural ... ..	.....	208,664	.....	185,353	.....	226,966
Electrical ... ..	.....	386,487	.....	403,855	.....	414,581
Engines ... ..	.....	386,924	.....	164,700	.....	112,190
Mining ... ..	.....	29,652	.....	25,138	.....	22,945
Motive Power ... ..	.....	117,173	.....	84,558	.....	98,387

*Subject to revision.

No. 12.—Principal Articles Imported Oversea, Annually—*continued*.

Article.	1914-15.		1915-16		1916-17.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
Machines and Machinery—		£		£		£
Sewing ... ..	.....	72,423	.....	103,565	.....	103,565
Other ... ..	.....	359,037	.....	320,991	.....	868,840
Matches ... ..	.....	46,926	.....	109,423	270,171	40,716
Medicines ... ..	.....	192,546	.....	208,818	.....	249,661
Metals, Manufactures—						
Pipes and Tubes ... ..	.....	291,524	.....	379,474	.....	294,991
Wire ... ..	.....	244,950	.....	256,097	.....	172,868
Wire Netting ... ..	.....	55,085	.....	15,547	.....	1,948
Miscellaneous ... ..	.....	1,103,974	.....	941,456	.....	974,405
Oils in Bulk—						
Benzine gal.	2,938,909	151,304	5,132,998	274,284	1,233,196	401,702
Benzoline, &c.	1,402,435	79,509	1,669,396	90,566	1,500,901	109,706
Kerosene	6,758,234	176,265	8,112,145	196,680	5,701,394	153,147
Lubricating Mineral	1,724,118	89,560	2,785,117	150,481	2,667,449	148,598
Paints & Colours prep'd for use cwt.	20,372	46,576	22,075	55,268	57,130	134,372
Paper—Printing ... ..	.....	370,893	.....	427,668	.....	715,033
Writing ... ..	.....	90,564	.....	129,896	.....	206,482
Piece Goods—						
Cotton, Linen ... ..	.....	1,631,126	.....	2,047,194	.....	2,527,751
Flannels ... ..	.....	7,031	.....	64,903	.....	74,246
Horsehair Cloth ... ..	.....	10,254	.....	13,707	.....	17,541
Rubbered Waterproof ... ..	.....	16,937	.....	15,381	.....	12,806
Silk ... ..	.....	648,807	.....	706,967	.....	679,892
Velvets, Velvetens ... ..	.....	254,973	.....	275,309	.....	372,612
Woolens ... ..	.....	808,476	.....	1,138,104	.....	1,296,132
N.E.I. ... ..	.....	60,437	.....	91,230	.....	195,820
Other ... ..	.....	66,801	.....	83,992	.....	108,792
Rails, Fish Plates, &c. ... ..	.....	459,205	.....	80,327	.....	11,124
Rubber Manufactures ... ..	.....	205,035	.....	536,752	.....	486,394
Specie—Bronze ... ..	.....	2	.....	Nil.	.....	206
Gold ... ..	.....	3,439	.....	2,375	.....	.....
Silver ... ..	.....	123,069	.....	4,784	.....	26,910
Spirits—Brandy, bottled gal.	52,920	48,000	10,326	10,056	25,696	26,305
„ bulk	99,086	31,293	67,083	26,090	144,394	79,707
Gin—British	61,985	17,394	55,594	16,551	58,959	23,304
Hollands, Geneva	79,360	14,012	65,611	11,872	30,300	9,529
Schnapps	64,383	22,954	99,698	36,024	67,686	27,236
Rum—Bottled	4,053	2,350	2,932	1,790	1,251	1,302
„ Bulk	127,678	23,003	72,650	15,777	26,125	9,645
Whisky—Bottled	72,236	40,255	66,895	41,853	26,047	21,661
„ Bulk	997,305	343,606	770,126	330,225	912,544	600,893
Stationery ... ..	.....	142,381	.....	139,995	.....	177,412
Sugar—Cane cwt.	178,839	121,569	1,131,644	1,005,018	1,032,002	951,428
Tea lb.	18,692,523	709,289	20,419,659	913,285	20,932,836	904,050
Timber—						
Dressed N.E.I. ... sup. ft.	13,420,353	121,731	3,195,255	34,067	744,402	12,174
Logs not sawn	8,866,378	37,982	5,071,861	20,453	610,389	4,730
N.Z. White Pine	42,369,240	257,187	36,764,874	228,424	42,236,119	278,637
Undressed N.E.I.	105,084,796	663,197	77,193,799	561,546	73,079,804	604,435
Tobacco—						
Manufactured N.E.I. ... lb.	1,482,692	124,174	1,069,800	86,533	1,285,699	96,073
Unmanufactured	5,953,976	308,842	8,725,123	501,435	7,784,945	473,898
Cigars	132,912	57,398	89,258	43,930	80,659	47,813
Cigarettes	61,641	23,914	74,332	25,954	78,707	29,716
Tools of Trade, not being machines	.....	206,680	.....	225,235	.....	241,306
Trimmings and Ornaments ... ..	.....	193,460	.....	186,164	.....	165,943
Vehicles—						
Bicycles, &c., and parts ... ..	.....	91,289	.....	124,637	.....	124,156
Motor Car Bodies ... ..	.....	67,095	.....	122,126	.....	111,060
„ Chassis ... ..	.....	346,917	.....	545,242	.....	435,070
Other Vehicles and parts ... ..	.....	154,221	.....	179,874	.....	218,136
Wines—Sparkling ... gal.	10,945	23,036	13,318	28,570	9,902	20,966
Still, bottle	18,998	13,582	19,609	12,806	19,194	14,517
Still, bulk	15,843	5,037	13,491	4,152	7,614	2,580
Yarns ... ..	.....	60,178	.....	187,745	.....	321,771
All other Articles	6,199,087	8,391,267	6,857,155
Total	27,323,243	33,379,698	32,740,566

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**No. 13.—Imports Oversea during September, and during the three months,
July to September.**

Article.	September.				July to September.			
	1917.		1916.		1917.		1916.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
Ale, Beer—Bottle ... gal.	5,471	£ 1,772	17,900	£ 4,398	7,952	£ 2,537	81,635	£ 17,417
Bulk ... "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Apparel and Attire... "	...	37,674	...	101,199	...	128,850	...	331,055
Socks and Stockings ... "	...	15,542	...	47,055	...	54,809	...	139,998
Bags and Sacks—Bran, Chaff, &c. doz	54,750	17,212	5,500	1,665	79,260	24,081	56,500	19,514
Corn and Flour ... "	75,175	25,655	73,435	23,751	207,300	68,248	222,515	75,558
Woolpacks ... No.	252,200	41,452	14,250	2,372	491,150	77,462	448,600	68,152
Other ... doz	1,667	264	356	118	6,917	1,080	4,141	1,031
Bags, Purses, n.e.i. ... "	...	6,172	...	13,544	...	16,578	...	35,993
Blankets and Blanketing ... "	...	44	...	4,945	...	1,280	...	24,329
Books (printed), &c. ... "	...	14,560	...	17,282	...	35,046	...	51,143
Boots and Shoes ... "	...	5,686	...	17,608	...	27,481	...	51,881
Bullion—Gold—Bar, ingot, &c. oz.	16,032	64,127	14,805	61,305	24,663	98,090	37,210	151,880
Silver " " "	...	...	44	9	62,277	7,579	44	9
Canvas and Duck ... "	...	7,486	...	...	...	33,692	...	56,929
Carpets and Carpeting ... "	...	7,189	...	17,656	...	21,979	...	55,389
Cement (Portland) ... cwt.	...	...	...	...	...	...	20	5
Clocks and Watches ... "	...	7,616	...	12,322	...	21,747	...	42,634
Cocoa and Chocolate ... lb.	180,386	6,818	289,096	23,395	562,389	23,103	897,750	66,953
Confectionery, n.e.i. ... "	18,990	907	134,014	7,135	95,740	3,809	391,119	22,534
Copper, Pipes and Tubes ... cwt.	96	1,144	193	1,442	152	1,924	449	3,811
Copra ... "	53,623	68,836	34,268	34,779	96,154	116,256	107,023	109,915
Cordage—Sewing Silks, &c. ... "	...	20,782	...	21,581	...	60,909	...	74,799
Counterpanes, Cushions, &c. ... "	...	9,731	...	15,410	...	31,267	...	54,280
Cutlery, n.e.i. ... "	...	8,520	...	12,825	...	21,396	...	36,201
Drugs and Chemicals—								
Cream of Tartar ... cwt.	1,040	11,266	1,663	17,148	2,424	25,927	3,425	30,518
Other, free ... "	...	...	...	19,931	...	15,583	...	68,889
Earthenware, &c. ... "	...	3,923	...	4,883	...	9,539	...	26,226
Electrical Articles—Cable								
and Wire, covered ... cwt.	370	4,872	4,259	24,555	1,220	11,295	13,491	79,354
Fancy Goods ... "	...	15,219	...	19,505	...	36,856	...	45,973
Fish—Preserved in tins, &c. lb.	275,215	11,432	234,797	8,520	416,739	19,182	876,564	37,508
Floor Cloths and Coverings ... "	...	9,339	...	12,820	...	33,365	...	67,095
Fruits, fresh—Apples ... cntl.	...	...	176	337	...	...	188	345
Bananas ... "	12	4	22,192	13,060	22,217	12,057	80,853	42,478
Other ... "	...	...	118	138	28	22	185	156
Furniture ... "	...	1,978	...	3,109	...	4,292	...	8,773
Gloves ... "	...	8,519	...	8,462	...	21,316	...	24,242
Grain—Maize ... cntl.	1	3	949	368	62	109	10,898	4,257
Oats ... "	...	...	30	23	116	59	75	43
Rice ... "	1,769	1,196	781	562	156,258	81,859	4,620	3,098
Hats and Caps ... "	...	11,616	...	22,774	...	46,640	...	60,719
Hessians ... "	...	19,484	...	13,509	...	48,917	...	27,513
Instruments—Kinematographs, &c. ... "	...	34	...	18,601	...	181	...	59,663
Pianos ... No.	289	8,577	525	16,615	1,203	37,382	1,282	35,733
Parts ... "	...	2,136	...	4,358	...	6,988	...	7,651
Iron and Steel—								
Bar, Rod, Angle, Tee ... cwt	12,078	13,533	62,031	55,098	31,529	40,771	171,423	143,259
Girders, Beams, &c. ... "	1,022	1,045	9,837	5,974	4,518	4,868	20,178	12,936
Pig ... "	1,600	1,334	12,100	1,143	7,055	3,083	28,345	6,124
Plate and Sheet—Galvanised. ... "	1,408	1,885	9,000	61,223	16,308	29,246	76,459	173,638
Not galvanised ... "	3,917	3,709	31,687	19,215	15,863	17,275	75,488	50,999
Jewellery ... "	...	6,596	...	11,062	...	18,937	...	29,660
Precious Stones, unset ... "	...	21,767	...	7,151	...	40,443	...	40,682
Leather ... "	...	8,532	...	28,666	...	23,047	...	55,899
Machines and Machinery—								
Agricultural ... "	...	13,636	...	18,963	...	23,998	...	43,214
Electrical ... "	...	16,259	...	44,957	...	49,008	...	110,803
Engines ... "	...	3,271	...	17,698	...	13,134	...	40,810
Mining ... "	...	2,904	...	452	...	5,715	...	2,046
Motive Power ... "	...	7,852	...	5,825	...	20,310	...	18,228
Sewing ... "	...	9,466	...	8,085	...	30,540	...	27,990
Other ... "	...	32,474	...	62,190	...	120,769	...	242,556

No. 13.—Imports Oversea during September, and during the three months,
July to September—*continued.*

Article.	September.				July to September.			
	1917.		1916.		1917.		1916.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
Matches gross boxes	37,522	£ 4,456	47,153	7,748	96,011	12,226	118,860	18,941
Medicines ... ..	...	10,398	...	30,530	...	37,999	...	70,484
Metals, Manufactures—								
Pipes and Tubes ... ..	...	10,494	...	40,883	...	47,849	...	97,203
Wire ... ..	...	10,472	...	22,741	...	43,990	...	61,903
Wire Netting ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Miscellaneous ... ..	...	58,333	...	82,379	...	136,699	...	264,734
Oils, Bulk—Benzine ... gal.	48	4	515,945	30,185	676,263	49,681	1,839,153	137,213
Benzoline, &c.	33,288	2,806	293,637	18,849	136,636	14,741	609,525	41,323
Kerosene	9,058	369	912,280	24,791	1,661,060	48,476	931,760	25,583
Lubricating (Mineral) ...	270,790	19,556	342,152	18,413	497,787	32,573	952,053	43,281
Paints and Colours (prepared) ... cwt.	564	1,517	6,995	17,976	4,921	13,553	19,760	47,040
Paper—Printing ... ..	...	18,504	...	41,895	...	47,542	...	121,520
Writing ... ..	...	13,612	...	17,854	...	29,900	...	64,845
Piece Goods—Cotton, Linen	...	139,368	...	198,860	...	367,123	...	803,260
Flannels ... ..	...	25	...	5,233	...	1,924	...	30,901
Horsehair Cloth ... ..	...	498	...	107	...	1,654	...	3,579
Rubbered Waterproof ...	...	794	...	1,582	...	2,910	...	3,960
Silk ... ..	...	106,691	...	88,817	...	236,760	...	257,338
Velvets, Velveteens ...	...	24,255	...	28,947	...	65,842	...	115,852
Woollens ... ..	...	52,798	...	131,194	...	154,310	...	369,351
N.E.I. ... ..	...	5,903	...	8,132	...	16,450	...	39,747
Other ... ..	...	3,823	...	7,559	...	19,013	...	25,185
Rails, Fishplates, &c. ...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	5,046
Rubber Manufactures ...	...	12,341	...	57,744	...	50,499	...	181,629
Specie—Bronze ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gold ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Silver ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5,775
Spirits—Brandy, Bottled ... gal.	2,500	3,379	1,712	1,198	4,196	5,231	16,965	16,767
Brandy, Bulk	2,292	2,869	33,862	18,719	4,283	4,302	52,559	28,667
Gin—British	500	371	10,768	4,137	4,325	2,083	18,831	6,906
Hollands, Geneva ...	...	...	2,200	881	400	419	8,496	3,128
Schnapps	229	86	3,944	2,039	229	86	19,874	9,149
Rum, Bottled ... ..	...	...	385	404	...	...	630	632
Rum, Bulk	8,850	3,703	5,072	1,774	8,850	3,703	7,024	2,618
Whisky, Bottled	220	169	680	471	2,682	2,624	7,865	6,290
Whisky, Bulk	31,026	24,251	117,797	75,458	131,558	101,223	270,686	173,094
Stationery ... ..	...	9,426	...	22,566	...	28,141	...	51,958
Sugar—Cane cwt.	77,152	71,365	...	...	119,100	110,270	195,579	175,783
Tea lb.	3,283,176	134,330	2,246,936	99,914	7,994,923	325,948	5,162,524	230,049
Timber—Dressed sup. ft.	...	...	4,142	59	5,340	100	358,950	6,078
Logs, not sawn	44,848	503	121,089	737	85,827	792	239,098	2,267
N.Z. White Pine	764,991	6,406	4,964,224	31,169	5,509,202	41,958	11,185,820	69,968
Undressed, n.e.i.	3,162,972	33,233	10,523,987	86,362	13,986,868	148,521	27,862,429	212,150
Tobacco—Manufactured, n.e.i. lb.	830	620	147,537	11,477	165,320	6,412	268,843	21,354
Unmanufactured	12,949	472	471,434	26,969	150,531	8,649	612,052	33,838
Cigars	8,299	3,800	11,279	6,857	20,039	11,578	21,508	14,975
Cigarettes	5,005	2,023	9,725	3,471	12,808	5,218	27,124	9,266
Tools of Trade ... ..	...	13,826	...	31,926	...	49,782	...	69,363
Trimings and Ornaments	...	8,930	...	16,995	...	29,039	...	56,580
Vehicles, Bicycles, &c., and parts	...	4,635	...	15,567	...	25,980	...	33,848
Motor Car Bodies	220	12,444	...	8,554	220	21,600	...	38,649
Motor Car Chassis	232	29,479	...	30,833	232	62,396	...	150,400
Other Vehicles and parts	...	15,072	...	12,942	...	35,555	...	46,276
Wines—Sparkling gal.	100	113	3,425	7,235	483	667	4,736	9,982
Still, bottled	850	851	4,315	2,559	3,266	3,435	5,766	3,731
Still, bulk	386	165	690	243	536	224	1,712	571
Yarns ... ..	...	11,716	...	30,975	...	50,663	...	87,368
All other Articles ... ..	...	471,861	...	612,558	...	1,302,049	...	1,652,512
Total ... ..	...	1,986,165	...	3,054,850	...	5,589,278	...	9,180,958

No. 14.—Principal Articles Imported at Sydney during September, 1917.

(Compiled from returns supplied by Sydney Harbour Trust.)

Article.		Oversea.*		Interstate.			State.	
		Quantity.	Measure- ment.	Quantity.	Measure- ment.	Value.	Quantity.	Measure- ment.
Agricultural Implements	tons	6	712	6	21	£ 475	.....	5
Ale, Beer, and Stout	...	.....	74	.....	...	.....	.....	2
Animals—Horses	No.	8	.....	.....	...	.....	24	...
Horned Cattle	"	1	.....	.....	...	.....	119	...
Calves	...	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	129	...
Pigs	...	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	4,912	...
Bacon and Hams	tons	.....	.....	.....	10	716	.....	296
Bananas	bchs.	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	82	...
" " " " " "	cases	49	.....	212	...	155	10,128	...
Boots, Shoes, &c.	tons	.....	52	.....	9	1,101	.....	4
Bullion—Gold and Silver	cwt.	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	...
Butter	tons	.....	.....	.....	18	2,032	.....	684
Cement	...	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	...
Candles, tapers, night-lights	...	.....	.....	.....	2	90	.....	78
Chaff	tons	.....	.....	707	...	3,390	32	...
Cheese	...	.....	2	.....	24	1,755	167	11
Coal	...	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	5,756	...
" (bunker)	...	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	10,578	...
Confectionery	...	3	91	.....	...	.....	.....	...
Cordage, rope, twine, &c.	tons	24	181	.....	2	318	.....	2
Drapery	...	.....	2,531	.....	45	3,793	.....	62
Drugs, Medicines, Chemicals	...	224	314	6	31	1,471	5	36
Earthenware	tons	.....	93	.....	11	160	.....	6
Eggs (in shell)	...	.....	.....	.....	3	56	.....	349
Fish, fresh or frozen	...	.....	16	.....	...	.....	.....	380
Oysters, fresh or other	...	.....	.....	1	...	40	.....	80
Flour	tons	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	3	...
Fruit, fresh	cases	.....	.....	16,580	...	6,868	22,769	...
Furniture	tons	.....	85	8	55	870	.....	4
Glass and Glassware	"	30	956	.....	18	163	.....	150
Grain—Maize	...	.....	.....	200	...	1,444	1,921	...
Oats	...	.....	.....	452	...	3,597	.....	...
Hardware	...	615	748	7	69	1,612	6	34
Hay	...	.....	.....	10	...	38	945	...
Hides and Skins	...	.....	430	.....	446	15,631	.....	313
Iron—Galvanized	...	44	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	...
Pig	...	150	.....	.....	...	.....	15	...
Jams and Jellies	...	.....	.....	.....	105	3,304	.....	...
Leatherware	...	.....	34	.....	54	4,184	.....	3
Machinery and Machines	...	230	749	21	24	1,289	12	40
Matches and Match-making Materials	...	.....	270	.....	...	.....	.....	1
Milk and Cream, preserved	...	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	89
Molasses and Syrup	tons	.....	.....	17	...	34	1	...
Melons, Pumpkins, Squashes	No.	.....	.....	5,760	...	120	10,212	...
Onions	tons	.....	.....	376	...	3,831	.....	...
Oilmen's Stores	...	.....	357	.....	19	781	3	48
Potatoes	...	.....	.....	1,129	...	8,118	26	...
Saddlery	...	1	18	.....	...	.....	.....	1
Soap	...	.....	12	.....	71	2,023	.....	239
Specie	tons	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	...
Spirits—Brandy	...	.....	66	.....	19	3,038	.....	...
Gin	...	.....	13	.....	...	.....	.....	...
Rum	...	.....	49	.....	...	.....	.....	...
Whisky	...	.....	151	.....	...	.....	.....	...
Sugar	...	3,912	.....	7,472	...	145,793	.....	...
Tea	...	.....	3,677	.....	6	294	.....	10
Timber—Sawn	sup. ft.	2,693,449	.....	179,507	...	2,841	2,924,623	...
Rough	"	48,119	.....	.....	...	.....	786,888	...
Tobacco, Cigars, &c.	tons	.....	74	.....	4	425	.....	1
Vegetables, fresh	...	.....	1	168	...	776	161	2
Waters, Cordials, &c.	...	.....	10	.....	1	11	.....	...
Wines	...	.....	6	.....	205	6,658	.....	22
Woodenware	...	.....	322	.....	3	97	.....	35
Wool—Bales and Butts	No.	22	.....	.....	...	.....	620	...
Bags	...	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	37	...
Woollens	tons	.....	124	.....	1	100	.....	...
All other Articles	...	10,518	17,889	1,800	828	123,143	3,650	5,466
Total	...	.....	30,107	.....	2,104	352,425	.....	8,453

* The total oversea imports were valued at £1,969,800.

No. 15.—Shipping—all Ports.

(Compiled from Returns supplied by Customs Department.)

Year.	Entered.		Cleared.		Tonnage Entered.		Tonnage Cleared.	
	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Steam.	Sailing.	Steam.	Sailing.
1906	2,893	5,283,719	2,883	5,275,031	4,659,821	623,898	4,658,235	616,796
1907	3,238	6,070,953	3,205	6,009,282	5,257,019	813,934	5,228,469	780,813
1908	3,196	6,298,784	3,219	6,303,125	5,822,060	476,724	5,737,747	565,378
1909	2,861	5,870,034	2,767	5,689,426	5,388,231	481,803	5,254,376	435,050
1910	2,937	6,290,119	3,035	6,471,855	5,892,049	398,070	6,047,832	424,023
1911	3,127	6,822,135	3,146	6,833,782	6,427,442	394,693	6,424,865	408,917
1912	3,354	7,490,046	3,346	7,453,005	7,010,420	479,626	6,975,678	477,327
1913	3,393	8,117,501	3,375	8,071,101	7,800,389	317,112	7,744,422	326,679
Jan.—June, 1914	1,799	4,393,002	1,765	4,318,636	4,147,905	245,097	4,119,514	199,122
1914-15	3,000	7,051,503	3,059	7,219,914	6,892,390	159,113	7,004,886	215,028
1915-16	3,045	6,552,235	3,062	6,574,582	6,346,795	205,440	6,360,428	214,154
1916-17	2,239	5,836,272	2,610	5,784,164	5,719,724	116,548	5,673,942	110,222
July—Sept., 1917	443	926,307	403	835,028	898,614	27,693	819,050	15,978
„ 1916	750	1,691,905	746	1,646,479	1,655,287	36,618	1,610,981	35,498
September, 1917	61	133,352	69	133,134	129,478	3,874	126,038	7,035
„ 1916	235	529,207	240	555,103	521,750	7,457	547,128	7,975

NOTE.—The shipping recorded in the above table is “Oversea” and “Interstate” only.

No. 16.—Shipping entered—Port of Sydney.

(Compiled from Returns supplied by Sydney Harbour Trust.)

Year.	Description of Vessels.	Number of Vessels.			Net Tonnage.		
		Oversea and Interstate.	State.	Total.	Oversea and Interstate.	State.	Total.
1907	Steam ...	2,456	6,589	9,045	5,105,343	1,553,200	6,658,543
	Sailing ...	318	1,011	1,329	377,080	134,516	511,596
1908	Steam ...	2,460	6,469	8,929	5,205,883	1,596,569	6,802,452
	Sailing ...	190	904	1,094	169,339	135,783	305,122
1909	Steam ...	2,314	5,713	8,027	5,148,293	1,483,635	6,631,928
	Sailing ...	193	724	917	171,638	97,491	269,129
1910	Steam ...	2,292	5,700	7,992	5,398,910	1,474,145	6,873,055
	Sailing ...	173	679	852	174,789	89,464	264,253
1911	Steam ...	2,408	6,138	8,546	5,903,713	1,626,209	7,529,922
	Sailing ...	168	502	670	159,031	80,087	239,118
1912	Steam ...	2,747	6,417	9,164	6,580,862	1,738,343	8,319,205
	Sailing ...	110	401	511	120,072	54,782	174,854
1913	Steam ...	2,696	6,718	9,414	7,063,444	1,790,740	8,854,184
	Sailing ...	107	401	508	109,725	54,876	164,601
Jan.—June, 1914	Steam ...	1,371	3,278	4,649	3,722,136	881,795	4,603,931
	Sailing ...	65	167	232	80,675	25,971	106,646
1914-15	Steam ...	2,452	6,640	9,092	6,290,718	1,761,927	8,052,645
	Sailing ...	70	304	374	67,980	43,703	111,688
1915-16	Steam ...	2,321	6,571	8,892	5,589,677	1,762,430	7,352,107
	Sailing ...	152	241	393	136,511	46,659	183,170
1916-17	Steam ...	2,026	6,100	8,126	5,000,450	1,576,907	6,577,357
	Sailing ...	127	200	327	107,841	40,630	148,471
July—Sept., 1917	Steam ...	358	1,189	1,547	830,507	289,888	1,120,395
	Sailing ...	31	55	86	26,451	7,700	34,151
„ 1916	Steam ...	558	1,728	2,286	1,438,311	435,816	1,874,127
	Sailing ...	43	58	101	34,240	13,460	47,700
September, 1917	Steam ...	63	250	313	150,997	65,484	216,481
	Sailing ...	6	11	17	2,323	1,046	3,369
„ 1916	Steam ...	167	564	731	443,027	135,131	578,158
	Sailing ...	12	16	28	8,323	3,704	12,027

NOTE.—“Oversea and Interstate” shipping includes the trips and tonnages of vessels which proceed to Newcastle for bunker coal, which return to Sydney, but which do not then report at the Customs.

No. 17.—State Revenue (September), and three months (July to September).

(Advances recovered are not included.)

Source of Revenue.	September.		Increase or Decrease (—)	July to September.		Increase or Decrease (—)
	1916.	1917.		1916-17.	1917-18.	
Governmental—	£	£	£	£	£	£
Commonwealth Returns ...	191,489	190,576	(—) 913	574,467	573,906	(—) 561
Taxation (by State) ...	128,822	131,284	2,462	635,332	445,774	(—) 189,558
Public Lands ...	115,055	124,222	9,167	388,464	423,387	34,923
All other sources ...	60,702	46,166	(—) 14,536	193,150	174,006	(—) 19,054
Gross Total ...	496,068	492,248	(—) 3,820	1,791,413	1,617,103	(—) 174,250
Refunds ...	7,218	10,109	2,891	26,333	27,541	1,208
Net Total ...	488,850	482,139	(—) 6,711	1,765,080	1,589,622	(—) 175,458
Business Undertakings by State—						
Railways and Tramways ...	818,864	585,628	(—) 233,236	2,298,414	1,942,696	(—) 355,718
Other ...	178,319	179,482	1,163	319,804	340,081	20,277
Gross Total ...	997,183	765,110	(—) 232,073	2,618,218	2,282,777	(—) 335,441
Refunds ...	6,761	2,657	(—) 4,104	19,856	16,759	(—) 3,097
Net Total ...	990,422	762,453	(—) 227,969	2,598,362	2,266,018	(—) 332,344
Net Revenue and Receipts proper	£ 1,479,272	1,244,592	(—) 234,680	4,363,442	3,855,640	(—) 507,802

No. 18.—State Expenditure (September), and three months (July to September).

(Transfers and Advances are not included.)

Distribution of Expenditure.	September.		Increase or Decrease (—)	July to September.		Increase or Decrease (—)
	1916.	1917.		1916-17.	1917-18.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Governmental ...	579,300	568,341	(—) 10,959	1,685,615	1,733,039	47,424
Business Undertakings ...	637,511	334,774	(—) 302,737	2,074,877	1,799,770	(—) 278,107
Interest ...	1,047,147	554,358	(—) 492,789	1,703,593	1,225,445	(—) 478,148
Total Expenditure ...	£ 2,263,958	1,457,473	(—) 806,485	5,464,085	4,755,254	(—) 708,831

No. 19.—Transactions on Consolidated Revenue Account, three months (July to September).

Particulars.	1916-17.		1917-18.	
	Dr.	£	Dr.	£
Balance on 1st July ...	Dr. 214,340		Dr. 483,138	
Revenue proper—Governmental ...		1,765,080*		1,589,622*
Business Undertakings ...		2,598,362*		2,266,018*
Other Receipts ...		4,171		72,854
Total Receipts ...		£ 4,367,613		3,928,494
Expenditure proper—Governmental ...		1,685,615†		1,733,039†
Business Undertakings ...		2,074,877†		1,796,770†
Interest ...		1,703,593		1,225,445
Bogan Scrub Clearing ...		.....		.....
Two-thirds Net-proceeds Sale—Crown Lands ...		.....		.....
Transfer to Special Deposit Account—Part Half-proceeds				
Forestry—Revenue Act 55-1916 ...		.....		9,374
Public Works Fund, Grant in aid ...		.....		.....
Wheat Acquisition Act ...		70,000		.....
Meat Supply for Imperial Uses Act ...		50,034		19,065
Other Payments ...		99,060		80,838
Total Payments ...		£ 5,683,179		4,864,531
Balance at 30th September ...		£ Dr. 1,529,905		Dr. 1,419,175

* As per Table No. 22. † As per Table No. 23.

NOTE.—The total receipts in this table (No. 24), represent the gross transactions, including advances recovered, while the expenditure includes transfers to various funds, also temporary advances made. These items are not included in Tables Nos. 22 and 23, but they are necessary in order to ascertain the balances of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

No. 20.—State Revenue—Comparison—Monthly.

Month.	1916-17.			1917-18.			Increase (+) Decrease (—)
	Governmental.	Business Under-takings.	Total.	Governmental.	Business Under-takings.	Total.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
July	593,320	738,008	1,331,328	525,573	831,945	1,357,518	(+) 26,190
August	582,910	869,932	1,552,842	581,910	671,620	1,253,530	(—) 299,312
September	488,850	990,422	1,479,272	482,139	762,453	1,244,592	(—) 234,680
Total (3 months) ...	1,765,080	2,598,362	4,363,442	1,589,622	2,266,018	3,855,640	(—) 507,802

No. 21.—State Expenditure—Comparison—Monthly.

Month.	1916-17.			1917-18.			Increase (+) Decrease (—)
	Governmental (including Interest and Sinking Fund).	Business Under-takings.	Total.	Governmental (including Interest and Sinking Fund).	Business Under-takings.	Total.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
July	878,593	705,187	1,583,780	919,511	737,549	1,657,060	(+) 73,280
August	884,168	732,179	1,616,347	916,274	724,447	1,640,721	(+) 24,374
September	1,626,447	637,511	2,263,958	1,122,699	334,774	1,457,473	(—) 806,485
Total (3 months) ...	3,389,208	2,074,877	5,464,085	2,958,484	1,796,770	4,755,254	(—) 708,831

No. 22.—Public Debt and Expenditure from Loans, 1907-17.

Year ended 30th June.	Public Debt at end of Year.	Expenditure from Loans during Year.				
		Reproductive Works.			Other Works and Services.	Total.
		Railways and Tramways.	Water Supply and Sewerage (including Water Conservation).	Harbours and Rivers (including Docks, Resumptions, &c.).		
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1907	85,607,832	421,742	325,908	172,361	174,227	1,094,238
1908	87,635,826	1,363,314	370,819	138,561	92,635	1,965,329
1909	90,307,419	2,127,633	617,589	114,095	47,190	2,906,507
1910	92,525,095	2,471,284	578,111	158,732	38,513	3,246,640
1911	95,523,926	2,547,672	730,819	234,213	409,054	3,921,758
1912	100,052,635	3,448,127	1,344,211	413,998	284,767	5,491,103
1913	106,170,747	4,618,967	1,595,093	676,180	813,354	7,703,594
1914	116,695,031	5,714,964	1,942,497	862,927	606,456	9,126,844
1915	127,735,405	4,690,908	1,368,260	685,231	251,708	6,996,107
1916	130,514,018	4,983,632	1,535,364	1,005,291	648,817	8,173,104
1917	138,138,347	3,992,809	1,435,674	962,881	470,815	6,862,179

NOTE.—Redemptions of Loans are not included in the Expenditure.

No. 23.—Net Revenue and Receipts of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, 1909-10 to 1916-17.

Head of Revenue.	1909-10.	1910-11.	1911-12.	1912-13.	1913-14.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-17.
Governmental :—								
Taxation—								
Commonwealth—Balance of Revenue collected and re-	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
turned to State	3,347,616	1,942,245	2,046,993	2,178,683	2,248,241	2,287,295	2,297,872	2,286,913
State	1,223,521	1,027,519	1,885,653	1,405,360	2,330,005	2,955,670	3,117,221	3,629,404
	£ 4,571,137	2,969,764	3,932,646	3,584,043	4,578,246	5,242,965	5,415,093	5,916,317
Land—								
Alienations	850,363	944,030	894,797	999,363	982,885	906,785	1,057,711	972,658
Revenue	818,869	810,427	774,451	836,585	846,002	791,296	807,602	774,351
	£ 1,669,232	1,754,457	1,669,248	1,835,948	1,828,887	1,698,081	1,865,313	1,747,009
Receipts for Services rendered]	£ 375,951	419,388	383,669	412,727	453,016	408,390	414,671	417,345
Miscellaneous Receipts	356,488	317,082	647,672	495,427	482,649	561,093	502,328	550,008
Industrial Undertakings of the State ... ..	.....	.....	20,281	32,885	6,300	10,358	9,060	12,710
Total Governmental	£ 6,972,808	5,460,691	6,653,516	6,361,030	7,349,098	7,920,887	8,206,465	8,643,389
Business Undertakings by the State :—								
Railway Commissioners	6,664,236	7,412,127	8,067,597	8,544,376	9,684,877	9,660,822	9,990,502	10,390,602
Sydney Harbour Trust	337,454	374,280	412,410	452,244	470,773	464,681	489,722	511,980
Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage	512,615	537,355	584,654	633,599	713,056	796,338	844,664	866,314
Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board]	52,960	54,686	58,788	66,145	80,945	85,823	98,089	99,448
Total Business Undertakings	£ 7,567,265	8,378,448	9,123,449	9,696,364	10,949,651	11,007,664	11,422,977	11,868,344
Total	14,540,073	13,839,139	15,776,965	16,057,394	18,298,749	18,928,551	19,629,442	20,511,733
Other Receipts (Advances Repaid, &c.)	42,342	43,346	20,171	203,062	139,480	17,676	74,076	26,102
Grand Total	£ 14,582,415	13,882,485	15,797,136	16,260,456	18,438,229	18,946,227	19,703,518	20,537,835

No. 24.—Net Expenditure from the Consolidated Revenue Fund, 1909-10 to 1916-17.

Head of Expenditure.	1909-10.	1910-11.	1911-12.	1912-13.	1913-14.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-17.
Governmental:—	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Interest on Public Debt and on Funds in temporary possession of Government (exclusive of Business Undertakings)	807,929	801,754	897,215	950,895	1,022,732	971,435	1,057,769	1,004,193
Reduction of Public Debt	421,034	409,349	436,921	450,602	5,632	5,688	6,504	6,868
Local Government and Main Roads—Endowments and Grants	281,815	295,714	341,264	281,304	258,352	281,243	344,022	331,613
Hospitals and Charities (including Lunacy)	518,321	550,956	567,185	643,969	733,387	769,311	880,243	929,218
Police and Prisons	529,935	558,681	574,781	641,858	655,189	653,282	652,119	694,120
Departments—								
Premier	52,492	62,727	109,632	115,303	85,925	185,883	175,978	132,923
Chief Secretary and Public Health (excluding Police, Hospitals, &c.)	88,746	90,293	101,533	107,827	122,666	132,955	126,539	135,172
Treasurer (excluding Charitable Allowances, &c.)	476,295	488,501	586,994	603,520	624,716	593,936	594,751	735,911
Attorney-General and Justice (excluding Prisons)	264,279	268,528	291,971	301,788	325,776	333,965	334,058	331,390
Lands	370,294	380,061	382,396	391,752	384,478	451,025	410,017	384,854
Public Works (excluding Local Government Endowments, &c.)	380,850	399,368	507,650	540,515	418,225	441,523	444,698	459,035
Public Instruction (including Grants to Educational and Scientific Institutions)	1,145,038	1,206,942	1,405,358	1,490,205	1,607,324	1,635,453	1,698,515	1,853,049
Labour and Industry	5,477	6,086	19,098	39,510	54,049	43,759	50,111	55,156
Mines	61,707	63,644	64,347	63,157	67,834	71,010	74,803	62,425
Agriculture	165,047	175,054	187,062	216,366	295,943	236,163	245,298	249,244
Local Government and Main Roads ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21,777	29,612
All other Services	522,884	411,140	387,790	545,927	450,190	420,223	445,516	445,058
Total, Governmental	£ 6,092,143	6,168,798	6,861,197	7,384,498	7,112,418	7,226,854	7,562,718	7,839,841
Business Undertakings, including Interest on Capital:—								
Railways and Tramways	6,131,654	6,759,942	7,501,224	8,520,415	9,505,926	9,540,159	10,107,149	10,794,694
Water Supply and Sewerage	536,669	576,072	608,534	644,347	725,931	785,300	841,278	984,803
Sydney Harbour Trust	286,212	307,253	314,143	332,839	366,698	383,435	420,669	464,564
Total, Business Undertakings	£ 6,954,535	7,643,267	8,423,901	9,497,601	10,598,555	10,708,894	11,369,096	12,244,061
Transfers to Public Works and Closer Settlement Funds	1,146,177	636,153	638,729	559,698	336,541	499,408	589,818	563,043
Advances made	37,531	22,469	213,452	47,039	17,676	81,023	32,295	159,688
Grand Total	£ 14,230,386	14,470,687	16,137,279	17,488,836	18,065,190	18,516,179	19,553,927	20,806,633

No. 25.—Transactions on Consolidated Revenue Fund, 1911-12 to 1916-17.

	1911-12.	1912-13.	1913-14.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-17.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Balance brought forward ...	Cr. 401,505	Cr. 61,363	Dr. 1,167,017	Dr. 793,978	Dr. 363,931	Dr. 214,240
Net Revenue Proper ...	15,776,965	16,057,394	18,298,749	18,928,551	19,629,442	20,511,733
Advances Repaid ...	20,171	203,062	139,480	17,676	74,076	26,102
(A) Total Receipts for year	15,797,136	16,260,456	18,438,229	18,946,227	19,703,518	20,537,835
Net Expenditure Proper ...	14,848,177	16,356,497	17,705,341	17,930,060	18,925,310	20,077,034
Payments to Sinking Fund..	436,921	450,602	5,632	5,688	6,504	6,868
Advances—Treasurer's Account and Loan Votes ...	213,452	47,039	17,676	*81,023	32,295	159,688
Public Works Fund—Statutory payment of $\frac{3}{4}$ of Proceeds of Sale of Crown lands, less 20 per cent. ...	348,664	359,698	336,541	209,408	354,818	328,043
Payments in aid—						
Public Works Fund ...	290,065	200,000	.....	200,000	235,000	235,000
Closer Settlement Fund	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Advance to Railway Loan A/c	.....	75,000	.....	.....	.....	.....
(B) Total Disbursements during year ...	16,137,279	17,488,836	18,065,190	18,516,179	19,553,927	20,806,633
Surplus on Transactions of year—(A)–(B) ...	(–)340,143	(–)1,228,380	373,039	430,048	149,591	(–)268,798

(–) Denotes deficiency.

No. 26.—Revenue per head collected by the State, 1907-1917.

Year.	Governmental.					Business Undertakings.				Total Revenue.
	Taxation.	Returned by Commonwealth	Land Revenue.	Other Revenue.	Total.	Railways and Tramways.	Water and Sewerage.	Harbour Trust.	Total.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1906-7	0 18 5	2 0 4	1 5 2	9 2	4 13 1	3 14 8	7 2 4	0 4 5	10 8 18	11 8 18
1907-8	0 14 1	2 6 11	1 3 4	8 11	4 13 3	3 18 0	7 2 4	3 4 9	5 9 2	8 9 2
1908-9	0 11 7	2 3 0	1 2 10	8 3	4 5 8	3 18 8	6 10 4	3 4 9	9 8 15	5 8 15
1909-10	0 15 4	2 1 11	1 1 8	8 11	4 7 10	4 3 6	7 1 4	3 4 14	10 9 2	8 9 2
1910-11	0 12 6	1 3 9	1 2 5	8 6	3 7 2	4 10 6	7 2 4	7 5 2	3 8 9	5 8 9
1911-12	1 2 2	1 4 1	1 0 10	11 6	3 18 7	4 15 0	7 7 4	10 5 7	5 9 6	0 9 6
1912-13	0 15 10	1 4 6	1 0 7	12 10	3 13 9	4 16 1	7 10 5	1 5 9	0 9 2	2 9 2
1913-14	1 5 5	1 4 6	0 19 11	11 10	4 1 8	5 5 8	8 8 5	2 5 19	6 10 1	2 10 1
1914-15	1 11 9	1 4 7	0 18 3	10 8	4 5 3	5 3 9	9 6 5	0 5 18	3 10 3	6 10 3
1915-16	1 13 4	1 4 7	1 0 6	10 9	4 8 8	5 6 11	10 1 5	3 6 2	3 10 10	11 10 11
1916-17	1 19 1	1 4 7	0 18 10	10 10	4 13 4	5 11 10	10 5 5	6 6 7	9 11 1	1 11 1

No. 27.—Expenditure per head by the State, 1907-17.

Year.	Governmental.				Business Undertakings.				Total Expenditure.
	Public Instruction.	Interest and Sinking Funds.	Other Services.	Total.	Railways and Tramways.*	Water and Sewerage.*	Harbo'r Trust.*	Total.	
1906-7	£ s. d. 0 12 8	£ s. d. 0 17 6	£ s. d. 3 5 4	£ s. d. 4 15 6	£ s. d. 3 5 11	s. d. 6 3	s. d. 3 6	£ s. d. 3 15 8	£ s. d. 8 11 2
1907-8	0 13 7	0 14 10	3 12 6	5 0 11	3 9 0	6 7	3 7	3 19 2	9 0 1
1908-9	0 13 11	0 15 10	3 15 7	5 5 4	3 13 1	6 9	3 7	4 3 5	9 8 9
1909-10	0 14 4	0 15 5	3 1 4	4 11 1	3 16 10	6 8	3 7	4 7 1	8 18 2
1910-11	0 14 9	0 14 10	2 13 8	4 3 3	4 2 6	7 1	3 9	4 13 4	8 16 7
1911-12	0 16 5	0 15 8	2 18 8	4 10 9	4 8 4	7 3	3 8	4 19 3	9 10 0
1912-13	0 16 9	0 15 9	2 17 4	4 9 10	4 15 9	7 3	3 9	5 6 9	9 16 7
1913-14	0 17 7	0 11 3	2 12 8	4 1 6	5 3 9	7 11	4 0	5 15 8	9 17 2
1914-15	0 17 7	0 10 6	2 15 9	4 3 10	5 2 6	8 5	4 1	5 15 0	9 18 10
1915-16	0 18 2	0 11 5	2 18 0	4 7 7	5 8 2	9 0	4 6	6 1 8	10 9 3
1916-17	0 19 11	0 10 11	3 1 4	4 12 2	5 16 3	10 7	5 0	6 11 10	11 4 0

NOTE.—See Tables Nos. 28 and 29 for actual amounts received and expended.
* Includes payment of interest on capital expenditure.

No. 28.—Trading Banks—Liabilities.

NOTE.—Liabilities to Shareholders are not included.

Quarter ended 30th June.	Notes in Circulation.	Bills in Circulation.	Deposits.			Balances due to other Banks.	Total Liabilities.
			Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.		
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1907	1,684,746	272,347	18,704,401	23,392,858	42,097,259	83,826	44,138,178
1908	1,713,314	283,567	18,847,680	24,769,305	43,616,985	357,320	45,971,186
1909	1,659,826	298,868	18,846,211	25,834,135	44,680,346	129,093	46,768,133
1910	1,801,807	370,885	23,512,712	26,642,873	50,155,585	100,348	52,428,625
1911	1,819,180	402,760	25,985,355	29,341,683	55,327,038	206,181	57,755,159
1912	226,151	418,504	27,937,492	30,292,076	58,229,568	177,130	59,051,353
1913	142,686	431,429	26,504,388	†30,777,791	†57,282,179	861,270	58,717,564
1914	111,939	510,811	29,944,028	†32,983,409	†62,927,437	1,177,365	64,727,552
1915	95,505	419,227	33,186,317	†35,031,367	†68,217,684	1,236,574	69,968,990
1916	87,316	529,211	43,610,878	†30,435,167	†80,046,045	2,120,888	82,783,460
1917	80,765	584,564	46,599,978	†37,449,286	†84,049,264	1,534,805	86,249,398
Sept. 1917	77,976	454,887	41,221,201	†38,653,066	†79,874,267	1,563,552	81,970,682
„ 1916	85,625	488,883	44,289,135	†36,784,343	†81,073,478	1,571,363	83,219,349

† Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank deposits which have already been included under the returns of Savings Banks—Table No. 31. On 30th September, 1917, the amount so included was £3,892,943.

No. 29.—Trading Banks—Assets.

Quarter ended 30th June.	Coin.	Bullion.	Australian Notes.	Landed Property.	Notes and Bills discounted, and all other debts due to the Banks.	Notes and Bills of other Banks.	Balances due from other Banks.	Total Assets.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1907	8,966,445	162,008	.....	1,777,304	34,477,917	340,606	497,728	46,222,008
1908	9,617,962	190,432	.....	1,783,694	37,968,766	348,516	487,604	50,396,974
1909	10,096,626	222,304	.....	1,791,040	37,109,453	344,069	419,509	49,983,001
1910	12,785,389	195,204	.....	1,824,349	37,482,907	407,089	607,367	53,302,395
1911	14,327,999	196,961	1,770,751	1,871,811	42,456,515	664,320	618,467	61,906,824
1912	12,116,947	196,110	1,992,519	1,930,319	47,449,649	293,103	488,699	64,467,346
1913	11,839,977	143,723	1,854,248	1,967,555	45,147,699	365,625	1,110,028	62,428,855
1914	15,364,463	120,338	1,845,189	1,953,111	47,765,084	498,760	1,571,433	69,118,378
1915	14,711,181	117,900	7,273,320	2,108,633	51,379,741	484,435	1,322,677	77,397,887
1916	11,570,443	134,935	13,073,103	2,255,032	59,101,909	504,809	2,284,894	88,925,125
1917	11,022,375	541,657	11,766,417	2,348,946	63,031,127	534,028	1,839,955	91,084,505
Sept. 1917	11,459,040	602,490	10,781,937	2,366,243	64,991,098	507,208	1,900,997	92,609,013
„ 1916	12,102,361	132,606	13,983,869	2,356,011	59,318,318	475,929	1,733,625	90,102,719

No. 30.—Trading Banks' Exchange Settlements, Sydney.

Year.				Amount.	Year.				Amount.
				£					£
1905	...	...	...	189,826,381	1911	...	...	...	304,488,435
1906	...	...	...	220,860,512	1912	...	...	...	330,621,122
1907	...	...	...	234,169,822	1913	...	...	...	348,741,175
1908	...	...	...	227,736,243	1914	...	...	...	353,068,040
1909	...	...	...	240,645,737	1915	...	...	...	357,803,424
1910	...	...	...	274,343,666	1916	...	...	...	422,371,972
Total, 1st January to 1st October, 1917				...	...	...	...	...	330,589,927
„ „ 2nd October, 1916				...	...	...	...	...	316,216,337

No. 31.—Savings Banks.

Year ended 30th June.	Number of Depositors on 30th June.	Value of Deposits on 30th June.	Increase in Deposits during Year.	Amount Deposited on 30th June.	
				Per Depositor.	Per Inhabitant.
	No.	£	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1906	*379,631	*14,881,260	1,383,008	39 4 0	10 0 6
1907	408,859	16,338,051	1,456,791	39 19 2	10 15 3
1908	435,618	17,849,384	1,511,333	40 19 6	11 11 3
1909	444,930	19,022,151	1,172,767	42 15 1	12 1 6
1910	478,006	20,823,764	1,801,613	43 11 3	12 18 0
1911	522,251	23,381,014	2,557,250	44 15 4	14 1 5
1912	577,232	26,539,640	3,158,626	45 19 6	15 5 3
†1913	647,124	29,568,282	3,028,642	45 13 10	16 6 10
†1914	717,737	33,167,523	3,599,241	46 4 3	17 17 2
†1915	755,835	35,562,649	2,395,126	47 1 0	19 0 9
†1916	806,882	37,363,272	1,800,623	46 6 1	20 0 8
†1917	872,351	40,836,747	3,473,475	46 16 3	21 17 4

* Savings Bank of New South Wales at 31st December following.

† Includes returns from Savings Bank Branch of Commonwealth Bank of Australia.

No. 32.—State Railways.

Year ended 30th June.	Miles open for traffic.	Capital expended on lines open.	Net Earnings.	Train miles run.	Net Earnings per train mile.	Passengers carried.
	No.	£	£	No.	s. d.	No.
1907	3,453	44,700,230	2,209,665	12,949,068	3 5	41,413,084
1908	3,473	45,683,484	2,229,295	14,251,052	3 1½	47,487,030
1909	3,623	47,612,666	2,075,626	15,074,144	2 9	52,051,556
1910	3,643	48,925,348	2,209,306	15,468,026	2 10½	53,644,271
1911	3,761	50,971,894	2,351,144	17,006,697	2 9½	60,919,628
1912	3,832	53,514,903	2,321,882	18,521,320	2 6	70,706,728
1913	3,930	57,053,778	2,104,104	19,184,247	2 2½	79,490,012
1914	3,967	61,264,869	2,332,421	20,549,695	2 3½	86,328,421
1915	4,134	65,583,274	2,305,349	20,420,023	2 3	88,774,451
1916	4,188	68,825,592	2,344,910	21,556,034	2 2½	92,850,838
1917	4,437	72,006,621	2,464,725	20,300,717	2 5½	96,709,846
* Sept., 1917	4,437	72,006,621	402,832	3,029,393	2 7¾	20,433,039
* „ 1916	4,274	68,825,592	547,001	5,366,486	2 0½	24,040,199

* Quarter ended 30th September.

No. 33.—State Tramways.

Year ended 30th June.	Miles open for traffic.	Capital expended on lines open.	Net Earnings.	Tramway miles run.	Net earnings per tram mile.	Passengers carried.
	No.	£	£	No.	s. d.	No.
1907	129	3,669,524	180,754	16,620,434	0 2½	155,017,982
1908	133	3,732,991	202,929	17,521,410	0 2½	172,020,932
1909	151	4,252,731	222,005	18,853,621	0 2½	186,318,738
1910	166	4,668,797	201,981	20,579,386	0 2½	201,151,021
1911	190	5,121,586	221,682	22,541,429	0 2½	230,275,938
1912	195	5,664,324	249,980	24,362,219	0 2½	266,789,546
1913	208	6,699,305	182,376	26,954,767	0 1½	294,455,452
1914	212	7,628,653	265,131	28,415,476	0 2½	310,592,698
1915	220	7,970,293	374,774	26,842,974	0 3½	289,282,845
1916	221	8,166,423	388,978	26,451,442	0 3½	292,021,774
1917	224	8,309,629	317,172	25,361,992	0 3	295,303,714
* Sept., 1917	224	8,309,629	32,509	3,809,354	0 2	48,308,318
* „ 1916	221	8,166,423	88,292	6,463,659	0 3½	71,714,876

* Quarter ended 30th September.

No. 34.—Area under Crop.

Season ended June.	Wt at.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane Cut for Crushing.	Hay.	Vines. Wine-making.	Potatoes.	All Crops. *
	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
1906	1,939,447	189,353	38,543	10,313	438,036	5,279	26,374	2,838,081
1907	1,866,253	174,115	56,431	10,378	458,172	4,951	36,815	2,824,211
1908	1,390,171	160,980	75,762	9,916	542,761	4,644	31,917	2,570,137
1909	1,394,056	180,812	59,881	6,951	715,896	4,472	26,301	2,713,971
1910	1,990,180	212,797	81,452	6,480	630,664	4,561	35,725	3,174,864
1911	2,128,826	213,217	77,991	5,596	638,577	4,354	44,452	3,361,921
1912	2,380,710	167,781	71,047	5,244	654,149	4,260	43,148	3,629,170
1913	2,231,514	176,471	85,175	6,137	947,062	4,403	34,124	3,737,269
1914	3,205,397	156,820	103,416	6,198	801,130	4,498	38,725	4,568,841
1915	2,758,024	143,663	43,476	6,012	785,944	4,113	30,418	4,808,627
1916	4,188,865	154,130	58,636	6,030	1,108,919	3,501	19,589	5,794,835

* The figures in this column are exclusive of areas double-cropped.

No. 35.—Production of Crops.

Season ended June.	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane.	Hay.	Wine.	Potatoes.	Total value of Agricultural Production.
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	gallons.	tons.	£
1906	20,737,200	5,539,750	883,081	201,998	459,182	831,700	50,386	6,543,950
1907	21,817,938	5,763,000	1,404,574	221,560	621,846	1,140,000	114,856	7,517,550
1908	9,155,884	4,527,852	851,776	277,390	376,800	778,500	55,882	6,587,990
1909	15,483,276	5,216,038	1,119,558	144,760	730,014	736,262	71,794	8,318,900
1910	28,532,029	7,098,255	1,966,586	131,081	981,201	808,870	100,143	10,908,320
1911	27,913,547	7,594,130	1,702,706	160,311	843,080	805,600	121,033	9,493,060
1912	25,088,102	4,507,342	1,155,226	147,799	728,474	850,210	75,166	9,748,820
1913	32,487,336	5,111,990	1,674,075	140,914	1,108,275	719,100	91,642	11,816,790
1914	38,020,381	4,453,309	1,835,406	185,970	955,947	561,100	106,849	12,377,650
1915	12,830,530	3,174,825	513,910	181,606	613,262	549,140	40,709	10,031,760
1916	66,764,910	3,773,600	1,345,698	157,748	1,573,938	571,000	44,445	20,362,360

No. 36.—Average Yield per acre of Crops.

Season ended June.	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane.	Hay.	Wine.	Potatoes.	Value per acre.
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	gallons.	tons.	£ s. d.
1906	10'7	29'3	22'9	19'59	1'05	157	1'91	2 6 1
1907	11'7	33'1	24'9	21'34	1'36	230	3'11	2 13 3
1908	6'6	28'1	11'2	27'97	0'69	168	1'75	2 11 3
1909	11'1	28'8	18'7	20'83	1'02	165	2'73	3 1 3
1910	14'3	33'4	24'1	20'23	1'56	177	2'80	3 8 9
1911	13'1	35'6	21'8	28'65	1'32	185	2'72	2 16 2
1912	10'5	26'9	16'3	28'18	1'11	200	1'74	2 13 9
1913	14'6	29'0	19'7	22'96	1'17	163	2'68	3 3 3
1914	11'9	28'4	17'7	30'00	1'19	125	2'76	2 14 2
1915	4'7	22'1	11'8	30'21	0'78	134	1'34	2 1 9
Av'ge for 10 years	10'9	29'8	18'9	24'49	1'12	171	2'38	2 14 6
1916	15'9	24'5	23'0	26'16	1'42	163	2'27	3 10 3

No. 37.—Live Stock.

Period.	Horses.	Cattle.		Sheep.	Pigs.
		Dairy Cows.*	All other.		
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
31st Dec., 1904	482,663	591,936	1,557,193	34,526,894	330,666
" 1905	506,884	644,164	1,693,809	39,506,764	310,702
" 1906	537,762	713,049	1,836,895	44,132,421	243,370
" 1907	578,326	756,916	1,994,277	44,461,839	216,145
" 1908	591,045	777,149	2,178,785	43,370,797	215,822
" 1909	604,784	794,549	2,233,178	46,202,578	237,849
" 1910	650,636	866,030	2,274,277	45,560,969	321,632
" 1911	689,004	894,744	2,299,492	44,947,287	371,093
" 1912	716,457	852,782	2,188,052	39,044,502	293,653
" 1913	746,170	822,667	2,000,073	39,850,223	288,090
30th June, 1915	733,341	850,957	1,626,635	33,009,038	286,704
" 1916	719,542	835,719	1,570,051	32,600,729	281,158

* The figures for the last nine years are made up as follow :—

Period.	Milch Cows.		Dry Dairy Cows		Heifers within 3 months of calving.		Total Dairy Cows.
31st Dec., 1907	..	506,395	..	206,828	..	43,693	756,916
" 1908	..	527,843	..	208,840	..	40,466	777,149
" 1909	..	566,378	..	189,507	..	38,664	794,549
" 1910	..	632,786	..	193,657	..	39,587	866,030
" 1911	..	638,525	..	218,593	..	37,626	894,744
" 1912	..	620,730	..	201,310	..	30,742	852,782
" 1913	..	600,420	..	189,769	..	32,478	822,667
30th June, 1915	..	426,173	..	344,247	..	80,537	850,957
" 1916	..	426,227	..	317,368	..	92,124	835,719

No. 38.—Production—Pastoral and Dairying.

Year.	Wool (as in the grease).	Tallow.	Butter.	Cheese.	Bacon and Hams.
	lb.	cwt.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1905	297,154,000	495,160	53,040,250	4,625,980	11,652,440
1906	325,441,000	487,830	58,941,137	5,389,345	11,843,595
1907	367,446,000	490,430	60,041,449	4,586,857	10,358,526
1908	338,129,000	420,630	61,380,876	4,763,360	9,488,299
1909	370,808,000	640,110	62,865,608	4,775,268	9,931,377
1910	415,338,000	742,200	76,624,830	5,191,089	12,620,067
1911	371,546,000	729,330	83,204,568	5,460,652	16,102,827
1912	326,804,000	568,500	76,609,528	5,454,685	16,526,376
1913	357,985,000	795,020	77,779,197	6,620,648	15,192,263
Jany. to June, 1914	131,810,000*	348,680*	42,427,000*	2,882,000*	6,587,000*
1914-15	318,935,000	711,850	84,134,280	6,356,627	15,327,048
1915-16	262,045,000	274,000	59,631,543	5,979,636	13,576,641

* Partly estimated.

No. 39.—Persons employed permanently in Rural Occupations.

Year ended 30th June.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Year ended 30th June.	Males.	Females.	Total.
	No.	No.	No.		No.	No.	No.
1905	108,638	19,492	128,130	1911	126,548	24,632	151,180
1906	111,625	19,817	131,442	1912	129,174	25,204	154,378
1907	117,522	21,341	138,863	1913	127,414	24,218	151,632
1908	120,106	20,809	140,915	1914	128,029	25,428	153,457
1909	119,836	22,317	142,153	1915	122,510	23,792	146,302
1910	123,769	22,573	146,342	1916	119,277	24,147	143,424

No. 40.—Average Prices in London of New South Wales Produce—Monthly.

Month.	Wheat.	Flour.	Butter† (Finest Quality).		Wool.		Tallow.
			Average Top.	Average Bottom.	Greasy.	Scoured.	
	per qr. s. d.	per ton. £ s. d.	per cwt. s.	per cwt. s.	per lb. d.	per lb. s. d.	per cwt. s. d.
September, 1916	... 69 9	17 19 0	187	...	14½	1 10½	35 1
October, "	... 74 3	19 8 0	197	...	17¼	2 7½	36 9
November, "	... 78 0	20 16 0	203	...	17¼	2 7¼	45 1
December, "	... 83 9	21 3 3	208	...	19¼	2 1¾	45 0
January, 1917	... 82 0	21 4 0	203	...	17¾	2 1¾	44 6
February, "	... 82 0	22 15 0	205	...	19¼	1 11	43 5
March, "	... 82 0	23 5 6	209½	204½	20	2 2½	45 2
April, "	... 82 0	25 0 0	191	...	19¼	2 3	46 9
May, "	... 83 0	27 17 0	192	...	18¾	2 3¾	47 3
June, "	... 83 0	28 2 6	185	...	17¾	2 1	46 10
July, "	... 84 0	28 8 6	191½	...	18½	2 2¾	47 7
August, "	... 84 0	28 18 6	204½	...	18½	2 2½	49 11
September, "	... 77 6	*	£206	...	+...	+.....	+.....

* No quotations.

† Average price for Australian Butter only. No separate quote received for N.S. Wales Butter.

§ Froclaimed price.

‡ Not available.

No. 41.—Average Wholesale Prices in Sydney of N.S.W. Agricultural and Dairy Produce—Monthly.

Month.	Wheat (Milling).‡	Flour (In 150 lb. bags).	Bran.	Pollard.	Oats.	Maize.	Hay (Oaten).
	per bushel. s. d.	per ton. £ s. d.					
September, 1916...	4 10¼	11 2 6	9'6	12'0	2 9¼	4 0	3 15 3
October, " ...	4 10¼	11 2 6	9'6	12'0	2 7½	3 11	4 7 6
November, " ...	4 10¼	11 2 6	9'2	10'2	2 9	3 9½	4 15 0
December, " ...	4 10¼	11 2 6	9'0	10'8	2 8½	3 9½	4 1 3
January, 1917 ...	4 10¼	11 2 6	9'0	12'0	2 9¾	3 6½	3 16 9
February, " ...	4 10¼	11 2 6	9'0	12'0	2 9¾	3 3	3 18 3
March, " ...	4 10¼	11 2 6	9'0	12'0	2 10½	3 3	3 17 6
April, " ...	4 10¼	11 2 6	9'0	12'0	2 6½	3 0¾	4 2 6
May, " ...	4 10¼	11 1 9	8'8	13'2	2 10	3 3¾	5 13 6
June, " ...	4 10¼	11 0 0	3'4	13'2	2 10¾	3 5	5 10 0
July, " ...	4 10¼	11 0 0	8'4	13'2	2 10¾	3 3¾	4 18 3
August, " ...	4 10¼	11 0 0	9'6	13'2	3 3¼	3 11¼	4 17 6
September, " ...	4 10¼	11 0 0	9'6	13'2	3 4½	4 4¾	5 1 3

	Potatoes (Local).	Butter (Good Brands)	Cheese (Prime).	Bacon (Sides).	Lard (Bulk).	Eggs.	
	per ton. £ s. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per doz. s. d.	per doz. s. d.
September, 1916...	6 0 0	15½	9¼	10¾	8½	0 11½	1 1
October, " ...	6 3 3	16	8½	11½	8½	0 9¾	0 11½
November, " ...	7 5 0	16	9½	12	8½	0 9½	0 11½
December, " ...	5 18 3	16	9½	12	8½	0 11	1 2¼
January, 1917 ...	6 0 0	16	9¼	12	8½	0 9½	1 0½
February, " ...	5 7 6	16	9½	12	9¾	1 2¼	1 7
March, " ...	4 4 3	16	9½	12	10½	1 3	1 8½
April, " ...	5 16 9	16	9½	11¾	10¾	1 5	2 2¼
May, " ...	4 13 6	16½	9½	11¾	11¾	1 7½	2 4¾
June, " ...	5 0 0	17	9½	10¾	11½	1 4½	1 9
July, " ...	4 13 3	17	9½	10¾	11	1 3	1 5½
August, " ...	6 13 3	17	9½	11½	10¼	0 11	1 0¾
September, " ...	6 1 9	16¾	10½	12	10½	0 10	0 11½

§ Average official f.o.b. price for flour for home consumption. This includes 3½d. handling and commission charges; but city millers, handling grain for their own mills, obtain it for 1½d. per bushel less than the f.o.b. price. On March 25th the f.o.b. price was reduced to 4s. 10½d. per bushel, so that since that date the price for flour for home consumption has been 4s. 9d. per bushel (on trucks), Sydney.

No. 42.—Gold produced, January to September, and Minerals exported January to March.

Gold yield during the nine months, 1916 and 1917.

Month.	1917.		1916.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
	oz. fine.	£	oz. fine.	£
January to August	55,150	234,261	59,648	253,370
September	4,070	19,836	7,458	31,681
Total for nine months	59,820	254,097	67,106	285,051

Exports of Minerals during first quarter, 1917 and 1916.

Exports.	First Quarter 1917.		First Quarter, 1916.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
	oz. fine.	£	oz. fine.	£
Silver Ingots and Matte oz.	460,669	71,827	709,957	80,011
Silver-lead, Concentrates, &c. tons.	67,012	769,761	32,118	328,237
Lead, in Matte "	4,191	100,584	7,980	201,929
Zinc Concentrates "	60,268	267,819	30,252	143,788
Copper Ingots, and Ore* "	6,375	772,316	4,710	381,370
Tin Ingots and Ore* "	567	86,170	647	100,554
Coal—				
To Australian Ports "	651,489	453,388	615,600	323,734
" Other "	292,460	215,512	268,853	154,691
Total, Export of Coal "	943,949	668,900	884,453	478,425
Grand Total ... .. £	.....	2,737,377	.....	1,714,254

* Information respecting total value of copper and tin ore imported or transferred to this State is not available.

No. 43.—Quantity and Value of Minerals produced, 1915 and 1916.

Minerals.	1915.		1916.		Increase in Value.	Decrease in Value.
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.		
		£		£	£	£
Metallic—						
Gold oz. fine	132,498	562,819	108,145	459,370	.....	103,449
Silver "	3,237,432	322,244	2,801,507	349,367	27,123	.....
Silver—Lead, Ore, Concentrates, &c. ton	282,777	2,309,418	249,849	2,935,624	626,206	.....
Lead—Pig, &c. "	30,305	689,439	25,466	799,632	110,193	.....
Zinc Spelter & Concentrates, "	190,916	1,111,569	209,741	961,849	.....	149,720
Tin Ingots and Ore "	2,188	266,780	2,129	306,497	39,717	.....
Copper, Matte, Ingots, and Ore "	6,793	234,437	6,171	586,127	351,690	.....
Antimony and Ore "	637	12,519	616	13,334	815	.....
Bismuth "	18	4,981	30	5,473	492	.....
Wolfram "	50	5,031	183	31,103	26,132	.....
Scheelite "	33	4,004	81	13,719	9,715	.....
Molybdenite "	32	16,937	54	22,066	5,129	.....
Platinum oz.	56	476	82	687	211	.....
Iron ton	76,318	267,000	52,556	197,085	.....	69,915
Iron Oxide "	2,294	3,774	2,461	2,695	.....	1,079
Ironstone Flux ... .. "	.....	.....	1,472	1,083	1,083	.....
Non-metallic—						
Coal ton	9,449,008	3,424,630	8,127,161	3,336,419	.....	88,211
Coke "	417,753	313,241	437,587	387,571	74,330	.....
Kerosene Shale "	15,474	12,890	17,425	17,772	4,882	.....
Alunite "	1,420	5,680	325	1,980	.....	3,700
Limestone Flux "	71,720	15,631	64,928	20,700	5,069	.....
Marble ... .. "	.....	4,187	.....	1,625	.....	2,562
Diamonds carat	839	707	1,901	1,375	668	.....
Opal ... .. "	.....	6,403	.....	21,273	14,870	.....
Sundry Minerals ... .. "	.....	8,433	.....	41,370	32,937	.....
Total ... .. £	.....	9,603,230	.....	10,515,856	1,331,262	418,636
					Net increase.	912,626

NOTE.—The above table does not include lime and Portland cement, valued at £461,339 and £459,886 respectively, in 1915 and 1916. Those items are included in the manufacturing returns.

No. 44.—Value of Minerals Produced, and Total Miners Employed.

Year.	Gold.	Silver, Silver-lead, and Ore.	Copper.	Tin.	Coal.	Total Minerals Produced.	Total Miners Employed.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	No.
1906	1,078,866	2,862,973	789,527	255,744	2,337,227	7,912,716	42,546
1907	1,050,730	3,915,946	727,774	293,305	2,922,419	10,295,290	43,758
1908	954,854	2,160,195	502,812	205,447	3,353,093	8,384,149	38,965
1909	869,546	1,653,615	424,737	211,029	2,618,596	7,403,210	36,405
1910	802,211	1,861,479	486,257	228,156	3,009,657	8,455,170	37,413
1911	769,353	2,442,764	590,102	307,089	3,167,165	9,409,519	37,017
1912	702,129	3,481,266	579,791	338,074	3,660,015	11,228,677	37,858
1913	635,703	3,808,125	598,733	421,292	3,770,375	11,651,407	38,880
1914	528,873	3,241,263	274,071	267,130	3,737,761	10,038,020	36,467
1915	562,819	2,631,662	234,437	266,780	3,424,630	9,603,230	31,411
1916	459,370	3,284,991	586,127	306,497	3,336,419	10,515,856	31,304

No. 45.—Price Levels.

The index numbers are calculated on the f.o.b. prices, Sydney, of principal articles of domestic produce exported. The average prices of the whole year 1901 are adopted as basis, and called 1,000.

Period.	General Index— all articles.				Index of Pastoral Products—Wool, Tallow, Hides, Leather, &c.	Index of Metals—Silver Lead, Copper, Tin.
1916.						
September	1,927	2,101	1,909
October	1,920	2,056	1,944
November	2,016	2,201	2,026
December	1,981	2,073	2,098
1917.						
January	2,049	2,147	2,019
February	2,064	2,196	2,083
March	2,061	2,182	2,125
April	2,049	2,193	2,128
May	2,089	2,200	2,184
June	2,078	2,163	2,190
July	2,083	2,173	2,193
August	2,128	2,204	2,203
September	*	*	*

* Not available.

No. 46.—Manufactories.

Year.	Number of Establish- ments.	Persons Employed.			Value of Plant and Machinery.	Total Wages Paid.	Value of Output.
		Males.	Females.	Total.			
		No.	No.	No.	£	£	£
1905	3,700	56,111	16,064	72,175	8,031,948	5,191,350	30,028,150
1906	3,861	59,979	17,843	77,822	8,407,337	5,591,888	34,796,169
1907	4,432	65,953	20,514	86,467	9,155,772	6,650,715	40,018,301
1908	4,453	67,616	21,482	89,098	9,718,842	7,218,556	40,163,826
1909	4,581	69,184	22,518	91,702	10,330,724	7,665,125	42,960,689
1910	4,821	75,384	24,327	99,711	11,578,620	8,687,007	49,615,643
1911	5,039	82,083	26,541	108,624	12,510,600	10,047,662	54,346,011
1912	5,162	88,178	27,383	115,561	13,795,195	11,592,052	61,163,328
1913	5,346	93,036	27,364	120,400	14,861,676	12,683,384	65,672,495
1914-15	5,269	90,409	26,202	116,611	16,866,982	12,667,721	68,253,332
* 1915-16	5,210	87,724	28,677	116,401	18,211,104	†13,413,845	70,989,864

* See also Table 52.

† Of this amount males received £11,888,028, and females £1,525,817.

No. 47.—Manufacturing Industries, 1915-16.

Class of Industry.	Establishments.	Persons Employed.			Salaries and Wages.
		Males.	Females.	Total.	
	No.	No.	No.	No.	£
Treating Raw Materials, Product of Pastoral Pursuits, &c.	264	3,434	94	3,528	392,654
Oils and Fats—Animal, Vegetable, &c. ...	40	888	215	1,103	119,678
Processes in Stone, Clay, Glass, &c. ...	269	5,403	67	5,470	701,306
Working in Wood	645	7,317	80	7,397	831,684
Metal Works, Machinery, &c.	584	27,531	436	27,967	4,065,413
Connected with Food, Drink, and Narcotics	767	10,513	3,896	14,409	1,618,761
Clothing and Textile Fabrics and Materials	982	7,237	19,203	26,440	1,932,134
Books, Paper, Printing, and Engraving ...	458	6,844	2,524	9,368	1,105,061
Musical Instruments, &c.	14	337	44	381	51,297
Arms and Explosives	8	1,238	5	1,243	239,457
Vehicles and Fittings, Saddlery, Harness, &c.	404	3,941	108	4,049	449,609
Ship and Boat Building	30	3,219	4	3,223	520,174
Furniture, Bedding, and Upholstery ...	246	2,996	468	3,464	385,808
Drugs, Chemicals, and By-products ...	94	1,015	676	1,691	170,526
Surgical and other Scientific Instruments...	14	88	27	115	13,410
Jewellery, Timepieces, and Platedware ...	56	601	87	688	89,816
Heat, Light, and Power	228	3,701	27	3,728	529,133
Leatherware, n.e.i.	26	413	169	582	56,800
Minor Wares, n.e.i.	81	1,008	547	1,555	141,094
Total	5,210	87,724	28,677	116,401	13,413,845†
	Value of Machinery, Implements, and Plant.	Value of Materials used.	Value of Fuel Consumed.	Value of Goods Manufactured or work done.	Value of Production, being value added to Raw Materials.
	£	£	£	£	£
Treating Raw Materials, Product of Pastoral Pursuits, &c.	397,382	†5,105,713	48,105	6,083,338	929,520
Oils and Fats—Animal, Vegetable, &c. ...	345,704	1,002,745	26,221	1,409,467	380,501
Processes in Stone, Clay, Glass, &c. ...	1,098,225	418,683	209,186	1,862,081	1,234,212
Working in Wood	802,365	2,082,415	24,022	3,264,952	1,158,515
Metal Works, Machinery, &c.	4,956,818	9,854,145	536,884	17,518,290	7,127,261
Connected with Food, Drink, and Narcotics	3,604,699	17,172,757	209,142	21,730,548	4,348,649
Clothing and Textile Fabrics and Materials	626,144	3,900,080	47,613	7,127,092	3,179,399
Books, Paper, Printing, and Engraving ...	1,277,002	1,193,936	43,009	3,019,964	1,783,919
Musical Instruments, &c.	13,866	69,255	250	148,075	78,570
Arms and Explosives	100,551	58,229	4,932	356,529	293,368
Vehicles and Fittings, Saddlery, Harness, &c.	149,952	445,449	15,284	1,129,517	668,784
Ship and Boat Building	398,881	190,744	16,782	797,608	590,082
Furniture, Bedding, and Upholstery ...	75,510	555,423	8,868	1,108,604	544,313
Drugs, Chemicals, and By-products ...	238,743	912,674	16,592	1,484,730	555,464
Surgical and other Scientific Instruments...	5,099	7,023	331	30,458	23,104
Jewellery, Timepieces, and Platedware ...	39,175	103,274	1,800	242,923	137,849
Heat, Light, and Power	3,962,633	639,493	312,961	2,814,328	1,861,874
Leatherware, n.e.i.	14,718	174,462	1,047	281,288	105,779
Minor Wares, n.e.i.	112,637	341,479	5,191	580,072	233,402
Total	£18,211,104	44,227,079	1,528,220	70,989,864	25,234,565*

* If £307,527, the value of production of articles already included in primary industries, be deducted, the total value of the production from the manufacturing industries is £24,927,038. † Including value of wool treated. ‡ Of this amount males received £11,888,028, and females £1,525,817.

No. 48.—Manufactories—Value of Production, 1901-1916.

Class of Industry.	1901. (Census Year)	1911.	1913.	1914-15.	1915-16.
	£	£	£	£	£
Treating Raw Materials, Product of Pastoral Pursuits, &c.	337,739	649,759	769,225	747,916	929,520
Oils and Fats, &c.	160,718	266,094	237,368	293,626	380,501
Processes in Stone, Clay, Glass, &c. ...	422,272	1,083,972	1,322,277	1,324,104	1,234,212
Working in Wood	649,149	1,168,333	1,424,728	1,298,120	1,158,515
Metal Works, Machinery, &c.	2,443,432	4,864,882	6,344,674	6,158,527	7,127,261
Connected with Food, Drink, and Narcotics	2,237,369	3,463,455	4,049,533	4,712,822	4,041,122
Clothing and Textile Fabrics and Material	1,091,244	2,517,160	2,794,473	2,811,056	3,179,399
Books, Paper, Printing, and Engraving ...	950,771	1,440,173	1,784,055	1,542,454	1,783,919
Musical Instruments, &c.	22,309	76,596	89,115	75,316	78,570
Arms and Explosives	1,480	2,531	51,406	108,322	203,368
Vehicles and Fittings, Saddlery, Harness, &c.	266,016	607,307	697,406	633,981	668,784
Ship and Boat Building	148,800	370,490	562,117	708,398	590,082
Furniture, Bedding, and Upholstery ...	220,434	516,082	614,105	558,196	544,313
Drugs, Chemicals, and By-products ...	74,006	400,454	461,909	488,592	555,464
Surgical and other Scientific Instruments ..	17,304	19,172	18,914	18,576	23,104
Jewellery, Time-pieces, and Plated-ware...	24,698	125,261	142,749	130,652	137,849
Heat, Light, and Power	624,567	1,373,532	1,868,391	2,058,987	1,801,874
Leatherware, n.e.i.	12,243	67,373	89,030	98,238	105,779
Minor Wares, n.e.i.	37,047	129,837	160,895	183,123	233,402
Total	£ 9,741,598	19,142,463	23,482,370	24,011,006	24,927,038

NOTE.—The value of production from factories dealing with milk products is omitted, as it has already been included in the returns of the Dairying Industry.

No. 49.—Value of Production—Principal Industries—1891-1915-16.

The following figures represent the estimated Value of Production from the various Industries at the place of production. The figures are not exact, but are considered the best approximations from the data available.

(In thousands, 000 omitted.)

Year.	Pastoral.	Agricultural.	Mining.	Dairying.	Minor—Poultry, Bees, Rabbits.	Forests and Fisheries.	Total Primary Industries.	Manufacturing (Value added to raw materials).	Total All Industries.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1891	14,725	3,615	6,434	2,735	*	758	28,267	7,799	36,066
1896	11,774	5,374	4,465	2,516	*	715	24,874	7,302	32,176
1897	11,823	6,250	4,616	2,653	*	750	26,092	8,079	34,171
1898	13,219	4,875	4,756	2,758	*	800	26,408	8,425	34,833
1899	14,527	5,609	5,960	2,543	*	639	29,278	9,207	38,485
1900	13,707	5,856	6,362	3,617	*	796	30,338	9,656	39,994
1901	12,552	7,060	5,681	3,046	*	733	29,072	9,742	38,814
1902	10,731	4,139	5,102	3,403	*	695	24,070	10,000	34,070
1903	12,777	8,359	5,958	3,276	*	779	31,149	9,601	40,750
1904	13,373	5,414	6,243	2,753	799	900	29,482	9,899	39,381
1905	17,113	6,543	6,897	3,123	1,228	1,190	36,094	10,631	46,725
1906	19,743	7,518	7,913	3,425	1,693	1,536	41,828	11,906	53,734
1907	22,281	6,588	10,295	3,567	1,708	1,382	45,821	13,481	59,302
1908	18,846	8,319	8,384	4,064	1,732	1,165	42,510	13,633	56,143
1909	19,040	10,908	7,403	3,983	1,990	1,096	44,420	14,536	58,956
1910	21,028	9,493	8,455	4,796	2,119	1,108	46,999	16,794	63,793
1911	19,434	9,749	9,410	5,215	2,055	1,195	47,958	19,143	66,201
1912	19,440	11,817	11,229	5,758	2,089	1,303	51,636	22,464	74,100
1913	20,738	12,378	11,651	5,455	2,416	1,400	54,038	23,482	77,520
1914-15	18,848	10,031	9,603	6,231	2,301	1,307	48,321	24,011	72,332
1915-16	21,576	20,362	10,516	5,473	3,215	1,370	62,512	24,927	87,439

* Prior to 1904 included with the Dairying Industry.

No. 50.—Education.

Year.	Public Schools.				Private Schools.		
	No. of Schools.	No. of Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	Expenditure by State on Education.	No. of Schools.	No. of Teachers.	No. of Scholars.
				£			
1906 ...	2,885	5,758	207,298	881,581	852	3,557	58,707
1907 ...	2,918	5,918	209,229	922,295	806	3,524	57,440
1908 ...	3,002	6,012	214,495	1,085,020	792	3,501	57,111
1909 ...	3,075	6,176	213,739	1,109,939	789	3,633	58,361
1910 ...	3,105	6,262	214,776	1,191,713	774	3,602	59,247
1911 ...	3,125	6,517	221,810	1,242,576	756	3,659	60,963
1912 ...	3,234	7,048	228,529	1,589,986	754	3,673	61,744
1913 ...	3,285	7,261	241,784	1,686,155	733	3,593	64,591
1914 ...	3,258	7,404	252,697	1,721,441	717	3,674	64,577
1915 ...	3,254	7,890	258,017	1,686,882	718	3,682	64,863
1916 ...	3,188	7,830	264,713	1,860,518	701	3,678	67,704

No. 51.—Postal Communication.

Year.	Post Offices open.	Letters and Letter Cards carried.	Post Cards carried.	Newspapers carried.	Packets, Books, and Parcels carried.	Miles of Telegraph and Telephone Line.	Telegrams transmitted.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1905 ...	2,266	103,576,306	8,382,282	44,599,104	23,077,094	14,827	3,837,962
1906 ...	2,288	115,062,748	12,621,096	47,144,094	25,201,131	15,417	4,452,506
1907 ...	2,319	122,130,948	15,097,710	48,340,646	37,191,554	15,910	4,894,283
1908 ...	2,368	134,684,520	14,969,312	50,461,252	38,330,311	16,338	5,149,763
1909 ...	2,397	139,058,694	12,511,546	56,002,764	38,849,363	17,087	5,177,962
1910 ...	2,437	151,315,512	12,438,544	66,963,559	40,609,036	17,615	5,607,178
1911 ...	2,490	*189,656,401		71,619,194	38,032,322	18,253	5,863,560
1912 ...	2,559	*192,996,376		68,696,648	34,755,556	18,268	6,364,990
1913 ...	2,596	*212,639,659		64,874,811	40,902,342	19,254	6,573,667
1914 ...	2,623	*217,907,644		66,216,699	36,576,538	20,828	6,703,019
1915-16 ...	2,640	*219,525,661		72,067,335	35,881,119	†	7,027,084

* Includes all articles registered.

† Not available.

No. 52.—Prices of Food—Sydney.

		Average Retail Price in Sydney.									
Article.	Unit.	1917.							1916.	1915.	
		April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	Sept.	Sept.	Sept.		
		s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.		
Bread	2-lb. loaf.	0 4	0 4	0 4	0 4	0 4	0 4	0 4	0 5		
Flour	25-lb. bag.	3 3'7	3 3'7	3 3'7	3 3'7	3 4	3 4	3 4	5 2		
„ self-raising ...	2 lb.	0 5'9	0 5'9	0 5'9	0 6	0 6	0 6	0 5'9	0 7'9		
Tea	lb.	1 6'2	1 6'2	1 6'2	1 6'2	1 6'2	1 6'2	1 6'2	1 6		
Coffee and Chicory ...	„	1 6	1 6	1 6	1 6	1 6	1 6	1 6	1 5'7		
Cocoa	½ lb.	0 5'2	0 5'2	0 5'7	0 5'6	0 5'6	0 5'6	0 4'7	0 4'4		
Sugar (small quantities)	lb.	0 3'5	0 3'5	0 3'5	0 3'5	0 3'5	0 3'5	0 3'5	0 3		
Rice	„	0 3'2	0 3'2	0 3'2	0 3'4	0 3'4	0 3'4	0 3'2	0 3		
Sago	„	0 3'7	0 3'7	0 3'7	0 3'7	0 3'9	0 4'4	0 3'4	0 2'7		
Jam (Australian) ...	„	0 5'7	0 5'7	0 5'9	0 5'7	0 5'7	0 5'6	0 7	0 5'5		
Oatmeal	5 lb. bag.	1 1'4	1 1'4	1 1'7	1 1'4	1 1'4	1 1'4	1 1'4	1 6'5		
Raisins	lb.	0 7'7	0 7'7	0 7'7	0 7'7	0 7'7	0 7'7	0 7'9	0 6'6		
Currants	„	0 8'5	0 8'5	0 8'2	0 8'4	0 8'2	0 8'2	0 9	0 8		
Starch	„	0 7'1	0 6'8	0 7'1	0 7'1	0 7'1	0 6'7	0 7	0 5'5		
Blue	doz. sqs.	0 9'4	0 9'4	0 9'6	0 9'6	0 9'6	0 9'6	0 9'2	0 9'2		
Candles	lb.	0 8'4	0 9	0 8'7	0 9	0 9'4	0 9'5	0 8'2	0 7		
Soap	„	0 4'1	0 4'1	0 4'4	0 4'4	0 4'1	0 4'1	0 3'5	0 3		
Potatoes	14 lb.	1 3	1 1'5	1 2	1 3	1 5	1 5'5	1 3'7	1 6		
Onions	lb.	0 1'5	0 1'5	0 1'5	0 1'5	0 2	0 2'2	0 1	0 1'5		
Kerosene	gallon.	1 9'6	1 9'9	1 10'8	1 10'4	1 10'9	2 0'1	1 8'4	1 1'7		
Milk	quart.	0 6	0 6	0 6	0 6	0 6	0 6	0 6	0 5'5		
Butter	lb.	1 6'2	1 6'4	1 7'5	1 7'5	1 7'7	1 7'2	1 6	1 5'5		
Cheese (new & matured)	„	0 11'8	1 0	1 0'6	1 1'4	1 1'6	1 1'7	1 0'8	1 2		
Eggs, new laid ...	doz.	2 7'6	2 9'7	2 1'3	1 9'4	1 3'3	1 1'5	1 3'5	1 3'5		
„ fresh	„	2 4'5	2 7	1 10	1 6'2	1 0'3	0 11'1	1 1'7	1 2'2		
Bacon (middle cut) ...	lb.	1 5	1 4'7	1 4'1	1 2'7	1 3'6	1 4'2	1 3'4	1 4		
„ (shoulder) ...	„	1 0'4	1 0'2	1 0	0 10'5	0 10'7	0 10'8	0 11'4	0 11'1		
Ham	„	1 5'7	1 5'6	1 5'3	1 4'5	1 4'9	1 5'2	1 3'9	1 3'6		
Beef, fresh—Sirloin ...	„	0 11	0 10'7	0 10'2	0 10'5	0 11'7	1 0'1	0 11	1 0'2		
„ Ribs	„	0 9'5	0 9'2	0 8'3	0 8'5	0 9'9	0 10'9	0 9'2	0 10		
„ Gravy	„	0 7'7	0 7'5	0 6'7	0 7	0 8	0 9'6	0 7'5	0 9		
Steak—Rump	„	1 2	1 1'7	1 2	1 2'5	1 3'4	1 4	1 1	1 3		
„ Shoulder	„	0 8'7	0 8'5	0 8'6	0 9	0 9'6	0 9'7	0 8'5	0 9'5		
Beef (corned round) ...	„	0 9'5	0 9'2	0 9'3	0 9'7	0 10'5	0 9'8	0 9	0 9'6		
Mutton—Leg	„	0 8	0 7'5	0 7'6	0 7'7	0 8'7	0 9'2	0 8'1	0 7'1		
„ Shoulder	„	0 7	0 6'5	0 6'3	0 6'5	0 7'7	0 8	0 7'1	0 6'2		
„ Loin	„	0 9	0 8'2	0 8'3	0 8'5	0 9'7	0 10'4	0 8'5	0 7'6		
„ Neck	„	0 7'7	0 2	0 7'1	0 7	0 7'9	0 9'1	0 7'6	0 6'9		
Chops—Loin	„	0 10	0 9'2	0 9'1	0 9'2	0 10'3	0 11	0 9'5	0 8'2		
„ Leg	„	0 9'2	0 8'5	0 8'6	0 8'7	0 10'8	0 11	0 8'8	0 8'2		
„ Neck	„	0 7'7	0 7'2	0 7'1	0 7'2	0 8'3	0 9'2	0 7'8	0 7'1		
Lamb—Forequarter ...	„	0 8'2	0 8	0 8'1	0 8	0 9	0 10	0 7'8	0 6'4		
„ Hindquarter ...	„	0 9'7	0 9'5	0 9'1	0 9	0 10	0 11	0 9	0 7'1		
Pork, fresh—Leg ...	„	1 1	0 11'5	1 0'3	1 0	1 1'5	1 1'7	1 0	1 0		
„ Chops	„	1 4	1 3'2	1 2'2	1 2'5	1 4'1	1 4'9	1 0	1 1		

NOTE.—The above averages are based on city prices; the suburban rates are higher. Prices of Groceries represent the predominant rates ruling about the 15th of each month.

No. 53.—Current Rates of Wages.

NOTE.—The rates of wages shown below, with few exceptions, have been fixed by Wages Boards.

Bakers (bread)—68/- to 90/- per week; (apprentices), 10/- to 40/- per week; (biscuit factories), 62/6 to 67/6 per week.	Cooks (female), 20/- to 3-fifths rate for males, per week.
Blacksmiths, 52/6 to 80/- per week.	Waiters, 27/6 to 51/6 per week.
Boilermakers—1 1/4 to 1/6 per hour, rd. per hour additional, dirt money.	Waitresses, 7/6 to 24/- per week.
Bookbinders, 62/6 to 70/- per week.	Barmen, 41/6 per week.
Boot & Shoe makers—Male, 1 1/4 per hr.; females, 3/- to 38/6 per week.	Barmaids, 29/- per week.
Brass Finishers, 1/3 to 1/7 per hour.	Storemen, 42/6 to 50/- per week.
Brassmoulders, 1/3 and 1 1/4 per hour.	Kitchenmen, 41/6 to 45/- per week.
Bread-carters (42 to 54 hours per week), min. 57/- to 75/-	Ironmongers. (See "Shop Assistants.")
Brewery and Aerated Water Factory Hands, adult males, 41/- to 62/- per week; adult females, 20/- per week.	Ironworkers, 1 1/4 to 1 1/2 per hour.
Bricklayers, 1/8 to 2/- per hour.	Jam Factory Workers—
Brick-carters, 1 horse, 55/6 per week; 2 horses, 60/- per week; 3 horses, 67/6; 4 horses, 75/-; 4/- per week extra for each additional horse.	Males, adults, 54/- to 70/-; boys, 20/- to 36/- per week, or piece-work rates.
Brickmakers—	Females, adults, 23/-; girls, 17/-; female fillers, 25/- and 33/- per week.
Burners, 1 1/3 to 1 1/3 per shift; machine men, 1 1/4 to 1 5/8 per hr.; pitmen, 1/5 to 1/6 per hr.	Labourers—General, 1/-, 1 1/4, 1/3 to 1/9 per hour.
Brushmakers, 1/5 to 1/7 per hour, or 66/- to 70/- per week, or piece-work rates.	Letter-press Machinists, min. 55/- to 65/- per wk.
Butchers (city), without board, 60/- to 72/6	Lithographers, min. 62/6 and 75/- per week.
" (country), 55/- to 70/-	Malt-house Hands, 48/- to 60/- per week.
" Slaughtermen—Mutton 19/9 to 30/- per hundred; Beef 85/-, Pork 90/-, per week.	Marble-workers, 1 1/2 to 1 1/4 per hour.
Carpenters and Joiners, 1/8 to 1 1/2 per hour; bridge work, 1/8, 1 1/2, and 1 1/4 per hour.	Masons and Stone-cutters, 1 1/4 to 1 1/2 per hour.
Carters. (See "Trolly and Draymen.")	Millers (Bread), 63/- to 83/6 per week; (Engineers), 10/- to 11/6 per day.
Cabinetmakers, min. 67/-	Navvies, 8/- to 9/6 per day.
Chairmakers, min. 67/-	Painters (General), 1 1/2 per hour.
Cigarmakers, 2/6 to 7/6 per 100, acc'dg to shape.	Patternmakers, 1 1/2 to 1/8 per hour.
Clerks—Males, 63/-; females, 35/- per week.	Plasterers, 1/9 to 1/10 per hour.
" Junior (15 to 23 years)—Males, 12/6 to 63/-; females, 12/6 to 35/- per week.	Plumbers, Journeymen, 1/8 to 2/- per hour.
Coach-painters, 1 1/4 per hour.	Quarrymen, 1/8 per hour.
Coachsmiths, 1 1/4 per hour.	Saw-mill Employees—Machinists, 61/6 to 75/-; Saw Sharpeners, 60/6 to 74/-; Sawyers, 60/6 to 72/- per week.
Coal-lumpers, 1 1/2 per hour, day work; 2/3 per hour, night work.	Shop Assistants (Metropolitan and Newcastle) Males, 7/6 to 62/6; Females, 5/- to 36/- per wk.
Coke-lumpers, 1 1/2; night work, 2/3 per hour.	Shop Assistants (Metropolitan Drapers, &c.), adults—Males, 54/- to 62/6 per week.
Compositors (hand)—Journeymen, 73/6 per week.	Females, 25/- to 36/- per week.
" " Piecework, 1 1/2 to 1 3/4 per 1,000 ens.	Slaters and Tilers, 1 1/2 to 1/9 per hour.
Compositors (machine)—Linotype (newspapers), (piece rate) 3 1/2 d., (jobbing), 3 1/2 d. per 1,000 ens.	Stevedores—Foremen, £4 and £5 per week.
" " Operators, 1/8 to 1/9 per hour.	Storemen, per week—Wharf, 61/6: Wool, 62/- to 70/6; Bonded Store, 60/-; Produce (Retail other than Grocery) Storemen, 54/- to 65/-, Packer, 54/- to 61/-; Grocery, 50/-; Hardware, 58/6 to 90/-, Packer, 60/-, Softgoods (Wholesale) Storemen, 58/6 to 88/6; Packer, 55/- to 90/-; Wine and Spirit Storemen, 56/6 to 68/6.
Coopers (piecework, log rates), 1 1/4 to 1 1/2 per hr.	Tailors—Journeymen, 60/- to 67/6 per week, or log rates.
Coppersmiths, 1/6 to 1/8 per hour.	" Cutters & Trimmers, 57/6 to 85/- per wk.
Dockers and Painters, 1/3 to 1/8 per hour; overtime, time and half.	" Pressers, 54/- to 65/- per week.
Drapers. (See "Shop Assistants.")	" Piecework—log rates.
Electricians—Mechanics, 1 1/2 to 1 1/2 per hour.	Tailoresses (coat hands), order, 30/- to 38/- per wk.
Fitters, 1 1/2 per hour.	" (trousers hands), order, 25/- to 34/- p. wk.
Engine-drivers (staty., &c.), 1 0 1/2 to 1 9 3/4 per hour.	" Ready-made clothing for men—
Firemen " 1 0 1/2, 1 1/2, and 1/3 to 1 1/7 per hour.	Journeywomen on coats, 32/6 p. wk.
Farriers—Firemen, 1 5/8 to 1/7 per hour.	Journeywomen on trousers and vests, 28/- per week.
" Floormen, 1 1/4 to 1 5/8 "	" Piece-work—log rates.
French-polishers, 67/- per week.	Textile Workers—Males, 52/6; fem., 26/- per wk.
Glass-workers, 1 1/3 to 1/7 per hour.	Tinsmiths, 1 0 1/2 to 1 1/4 per hour.
Galvanised Iron-workers, 1/2 per hour.	Trolly and Draymen—Coal Carters—1 horse, 52/- to 59/- per week; 2 horses, 55/- to 64/- per week; 3/- per week for each extra horse.
Grocers. (See "Shop Assistants.")	Timber-carters, 1 horse, 54/-; 2 horses, 59/-; and 3/- per week for each extra horse.
Hairdressers (52 hours per week), 58/- to 68/-	Tip-carters, 1 horse, 50/- to 60/-; 2 horses, 55/- to 65/-; 6d. per day extra for each additional horse.
Hotel, Club, Restaurant, & Tea Room Employees—	Typewriters (females), 10/- to 30/- per week.
Cooks (male), 44/3 to 100/- per week.	Upholsterers, 67/- to 73/- per week.
	Wharf Labourers—Deep sea, 1/9 per hour.
	Interstate and Coastal, 1/9 per hour.
	Wheelwrights, 1 1/2 per hour.

No. 53.—Current Rates of Wages—continued.

Coal Miners.

The employees in the Coal-mines in New South Wales work under Agreements or Awards. The rate paid to miners varies according to the selling price of coal per ton ruling at the time, and also according to the conditions of the seams or places where the coal is mined.

Coal-mines, Northern District—

Miners, $3\frac{5}{8}$ to $5\frac{1}{10}$ per ton.
 „ coal-cutting machines, $13\frac{1}{2}$ to $15\frac{1}{6}$ per day
 „ „ $10\frac{1}{11}$ per day.
 Deputies, $16\frac{1}{-}$ to $16\frac{1}{-}$ per day.
 Shot-firers, $14\frac{1}{11}$ to $15\frac{1}{-}$ per day.
 Waste-examiners, $14\frac{1}{11}$ to $15\frac{1}{-}$ per day.
 Engine-drivers—
 Winding and loco. engines, $14\frac{1}{5}$ per day.
 Other engines, $12\frac{1}{-}$ to $14\frac{1}{5}$ per day.
 Shiftmen, $10\frac{1}{11}$ to $15\frac{1}{6}$ per day.
 Wheelers, $10\frac{1}{6}$ to $11\frac{1}{8}$ per day.
 Flatters, $10\frac{1}{11}$ per day.
 Water-bailers, $10\frac{1}{11}$ per day.
 Hand-pumpers, $10\frac{1}{11}$ per day.
 Set riders, $13\frac{1}{2}$ per day.
 Rolleyway men, $10\frac{1}{11}$ to $13\frac{1}{2}$ per day.
 Roadlayers, $11\frac{1}{4}$ to $13\frac{1}{2}$ per day.
 Waggon packers, $10\frac{1}{11}$ per day.
 Banksmen, $12\frac{1}{7}$ per day.
 Shunters, $10\frac{1}{11}$ per day.
 Screenmen, $10\frac{1}{11}$ per day.
 Labourers, $10\frac{1}{11}$ to $11\frac{1}{5}$ per day.
 Boys and Youths, $4\frac{1}{4}$ to $10\frac{1}{4}$ per day.

Coal-mines, Southern District—

Miners, $2\frac{9}{32}$ per ton.
 Overmen (underground), £5 to £6 10s. per week.
 Deputy Overmen, £4 17s. 6d. per week.
 Shotfirers, 15s. per day.
 Shiftmen, $14\frac{1}{11}$ per day.
 Onsetters, $12\frac{1}{6}$ per day.
 Banksmen, $12\frac{1}{4}$ per day.
 Screenmen, $10\frac{1}{11}$ per day.
 Mechanics, $12\frac{1}{7}$ to $15\frac{1}{4}$ per day.
 Engineers, $12\frac{1}{6}$ to $16\frac{1}{8}$ per day.
 Engine-drivers—Winding, $14\frac{1}{5}$ per day.
 „ Haulage, $13\frac{1}{2}$ per day.
 Stokers and firemen, $10\frac{1}{11}$ to $12\frac{1}{-}$ per day.
 Locomotive engine-drivers, $14\frac{1}{5}$ per day.
 „ „ stokers, $12\frac{1}{-}$ per day.
 Platelayers, $10\frac{1}{11}$ per day.
 Furnaceman, $10\frac{1}{11}$ per day.
 Harness-makers, $11\frac{1}{6}$ per day.
 Wheelers, $12\frac{1}{-}$ per day.
 Water-bailers, $12\frac{1}{-}$ per day.
 Stablemen, $10\frac{1}{11}$ per day.
 Labourers, $10\frac{1}{11}$ per day.
 Flatters, $12\frac{1}{-}$ per day.
 Trappers, $4\frac{1}{4}$ per day.
 Boys, $5\frac{1}{4}$ per day.

Interstate and Intercolonial Steamers (per month).

Officers, chief, £14 to £20; 2nd, £13 to £17; 3rd, £12/10/- to £13.	Engineers, chief, £18 to £39/2/-; 2nd, £17/10/- to £25/6/-; 3rd, £15/10/- to £20/14/-
Firemen, £10 to £11/10/-	Able Seamen, £8 to £9/5/-
Trimmers, £8 to £9/5/-	„ „ (sailing ships), £5 to £6.

State (New South Wales) Steamers (per month).

Officers, Chief. £13 to £18; 2nd, £11 to £15.	Able Seamen and Trimmers, £7 to £9/14/-
Engineers, £16/2/- to £39/2/- per month.	„ „ „ (sailing ship), £5
Firemen, £7 to £10/10/-	to £6.
Donkeymen, £10 to £11.	

Farm and Station Hands (with rations and lodging), per week or per year.

Boundary Riders, 20/- to 25/-	Horse-team Drivers, 25/- to 30/-
Bullock Drivers, 25/- to 35/-	Married Couples—
Bush Carpenters, 30/- to 35/-	When wife cooks, £104 to £110.
Cooks (station), 25/- to 35/-	Rouseabouts, 20/- to 30/-
Country Blacksmiths—	Orchard Hands, 20/- to 30/-
Station, 35/-	Shearers (per 100 sheep), no rations, 24/-
General (without rations), 50/- to 60/-	Stockmen, £52 to £65.
Milkers, 20/- to 30/-	Useful Boys, 15/- to 20/- (age 15 to 18).
Farm Labourers, 25/- to 30/-	Vignerons, £52 to £55.
Harvest Hands, accdg. to experience, 7/- to 12/- per day.	

Domestic Servants (with board and lodging), per week.

Cooks (Females)—	General Servants (aged 18 years and upwards), 12/6 to 28/6
Station, 20/- to 25/-	Nursemaids (aged 15 to 20 years), 10/- to 15/-
Private house, 20/- to 25/-	Useful Girls (aged 15 to 18 years), 8/- to 12/6.
Boarding-house, 25/- to 35/-	Gardeners, 25/- to 30/-
Cook and Laundress, 20/- to 25/-	Grooms and Coachmen, 20/- to 30/-
House and Parlour Maid, 15/- to 23/-	

No. 54.—Meteorology.

District.	September, 1917.					September— (Mean, 1907-1916).			Mean annual— All previous years.	
	Temperature.			Rain- fall.	Number of days Rain.	Mean Temper- ature.	Rain- fall.	Number of days Rain.	Temper- ature.	Rain- fall.
	Mean.	Mean Max.	Mean Min.							
North Coast—	deg. (Fahr.)	deg. (Fahr.)	deg. (Fahr.)	inches.		deg. (Fahr.)	inches.		deg. (Fahr.)	inches.
Grafton	63·1	76·7	49·5	4·26	8	64·3	1·56	5	67·5	34·18
Hunter and Manning—										
Singleton... ..	...	...	...	5·21	9	58·6	1·69	5	64·1	29·19
Cumberland—										
Sydney	60·5	68·3	52·7	5·42	8	59·7	2·59	11	63·0	48·01
South Coast—										
Bega	56·0	71·1	40·8	2·81	7	57·1	2·99	5	60·5	32·65
Northern Tableland—										
Armidale	50·6	62·2	39·0	4·94	10	51·5	1·38	5	56·3	31·82
Central Tableland—										
Bathurst... ..	50·9	63·9	37·9	2·17	9	52·2	1·45	7	57·2	23·52
Southern Tableland—										
Goulburn	50·4	61·4	39·3	3·31	13	50·9	1·87	7	56·1	24·79
North-western Slope—										
Gunnedah	57·7	67·7	47·7	4·04	10	59·3	1·13	4	65·4	24·34
Central-western Slope—										
Dubbo	54·9	68·2	41·6	0·76	8	56·4	1·35	6	63·5	22·21
South-western Slope—										
Wagga	54·3	65·2	43·4	2·33	9	55·0	2·10	8	62·1	21·04
North-western Plain—										
Moree	61·7	74·2	49·1	3·88	7	61·7	·96	3	67·3	23·15
Central-western Plain—										
Coonamble	57·8	71·8	43·8	3·06	7	59·7	·75	3	65·9	19·49
Riverina—										
Deniliquin	55·6	65·4	45·7	2·30	11	56·1	1·61	8	61·7	16·02

No. 55.—New Buildings erected in Metropolis—Annual.

Year.	Returns of Board of Water Supply and Sewerage.		Municipal Returns.			
	Buildings erected and assessed.	Cost of Buildings, including additions to old Buildings.	Buildings for which permission to build was granted.	Estimated Cost of New Buildings.	Estimated Cost of Alter- ations and Additions.	Total Cost, Buildings, Alterations, and Additions.
		£		£	£	£
1910	4,419	2,439,000	...	...	...	...
1911	6,006	3,604,000	...	...	...	...
1912	7,773	5,069,000	8,339	4,988,000	636,000	5,624,000
1913	7,853	5,917,000	9,342	6,512,000	815,000	7,327,000
1914	8,831	6,162,000	8,548	5,236,000	586,000	5,822,000
1915	6,141	4,664,000	6,066	3,850,000	548,000	4,398,000
1916	5,043	4,037,000	5,051	3,395,000	519,000	3,914,000
1917 (first half) ...	2,127	1,647,000	2,673	1,700,000	158,000	1,857,000

No. 56.—New Buildings—Metropolis—Monthly.

Month.	1917.			1916.		
	City.	Suburbs.		City.	Suburbs.	
		No.	Value.		No.	Value.
			£			£
January	3	366	195,596	12	439	232,990
February	13	398	212,773	8	448	231,566
March	12	520	297,657	11	489	233,142
April	4	427	269,157	8	426	213,335
May	11	444	316,103	11	511	304,887
June	8	467	295,682	8	402	220,808
July	9	490	303,557	6	508	297,261
August	5	346	245,066	6	510	305,343
September	4	302	183,639	8	378	231,807
Total (9 months) ...	60	3,760	2,319,180	78	4,111	2,271,130

No. 57.—New Buildings—Metropolis—each Municipality.

NUMBER and Value of New Buildings and of Alterations and Additions in each Municipality during the nine months January to September.

Municipality.	Estimated Population 31st December, 1916.	New Buildings (to erect which permission granted).				Alterations and Additions.			
		1917.		1916.		1917.		1916.	
		No.	Value.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.
City of Sydney ...	106,000	69	£ x	78	£ x	351	£ x	356	£ x
Alexandria ...	11,410	14	9,940	23	13,295	47	3,135	30	967
Annandale ...	12,400	11	5,170	20	8,546	7	185	14	1,970
Ashfield ...	27,680	219	146,663	181	124,544	106	5,091	79	4,579
Balmain ...	33,250	22	16,340	34	26,870	56	2,269	74	5,219
Bexley ...	10,660	122	58,330	138	56,969	31	1,345	62	3,364
Botany ...	5,670	25	11,310	34	22,584	50	4,947	26	3,927
Burwood ...	12,640	90	62,870	143	85,020	60	3,317	62	9,790
Canterbury ...	25,470	360	157,730	479	189,626	139	8,620	179	8,929
Concord ...	6,480	104	65,022	102	74,100	93	4,927	78	10,729
Darlington ...	3,840	Nil.	...	Nil.	...	3	70	Nil.	...
Drummoyne ...	13,580	126	74,540	105	64,963	27	1,554	57	4,851
Eastwood ...	1,420	16	6,640	14	7,230	1	130	1	65
Enfield ...	5,700	85	37,531	79	35,782	38	826	30	1,011
Erskineville ...	7,660	3	1,350	2	1,500	9	455	15	3,025
Glebe ...	22,690	22	11,350	7	1,515	20	1,705	29	4,518
Homebush ...	1,040	38	18,535	3	1,080	8	480	1	50
Hunter's Hill ...	5,780	27	18,352	66	35,430	18	1,867	24	2,123
Hurstville ...	10,540	110	49,136	117	36,704	61	2,892	61	5,992
Kogarah ...	12,550	161	64,951	170	68,623	70	4,072	76	3,361
Lane Cove ...	4,950	58	34,116	69	33,116	33	2,595	23	2,560
Leichhardt ...	27,760	72	29,650	65	30,570	72	3,578	74	4,781
Manly ...	13,930	70	66,905	65	46,125	Nil.	...	Nil.	...
Marrickville ...	37,370	94	55,115	185	88,480	62	5,889	64	3,612
Mascot ...	8,680	30	12,255	40	13,810	64	2,839	50	3,181
Mosman ...	16,990	87	72,600	107	76,400	31	3,690	26	3,195
Newtown ...	27,820	13	7,790	30	19,146	38	4,733	33	8,508
North Sydney ...	40,930	111	107,213	127	116,560	126	18,032	58	10,967
Paddington ...	25,870	6	10,153	9	11,520	19	2,284	23	2,398
Petersham ...	23,830	39	25,915	48	25,120	46	3,434	55	4,255
Randwick ...	32,910	425	283,851	449	260,813	115	17,292	126	13,897
Redfern ...	25,010	4	1,500	3	1,800	24	3,780	11	1,215
Rockdale ...	19,900	162	76,067	195	86,275	94	2,110	103	2,251
Ryde ...	9,340	135	65,522	137	60,947	34	2,038	35	1,505
St. Peters ...	10,640	26	11,725	36	13,610	20	647	35	1,317
Strathfield ...	5,570	49	28,405	54	38,890	48	4,969	38	1,198
Vaucluse ...	2,510	27	26,007	46	44,493	23	2,314	19	1,661
Waterloo ...	11,190	14	73,195	9	10,506	21	1,681	24	3,280
Waverley ...	27,480	270	135,517	257	139,361	43	7,764	58	6,764
Willoughby ...	20,840	213	123,845	186	95,735	54	3,660	81	3,609
Woollahra ...	20,280	136	126,369	113	110,381	100	17,148	77	15,535
Ku-ring-gai Shire ...	14,340	164	129,705	164	93,100	142	8,825	110	3,280
Total Suburbs ...	658,600	3,760	2,319,180	4,111	2,271,139	2,053	167,189	2,021	173,439
Total City of Sydney	106,000	69	x	78	x	351	x	356	x
Grand Total ...	764,600	3,829	x	4,189	x	2,404	x	2,377	x

x Indicates that the information is not available.

* During the month of September, 1917, the number of new buildings erected was 306, viz., 4 in the City and 302 in the Suburbs. The largest numbers were:—Canterbury, 36; Randwick, 24; Waverley, 23; and Burwood, 17.

No. 58.—Crown Lands Selections, 1917.

The following statements show—(first) the Land Selected, and (second) the Area made available for Residential Settlement during the month of September, 1917, and during the period from 1st January to 30th September, 1917 :—

LANDS SELECTED UNDER THE "CROWN LANDS ACT."

Description of Holding.	During September, 1917.		1st Jan. to 30th Sept., 1917.	
	No. of Applicants.	Area (acres).	No. of Applicants.	Area (acres).
ORIGINAL HOLDINGS.				
Original Conditional Purchases	14	1,277	63	5,926
Conditional Leases applied for simultaneously with and in virtue of these O.C. Purchases	(4)	780	(24)	6,673
Crown Leases—ordinary	27	25,788	207	194,937
" " for returned soldiers ... ..	...	...	37	99,021
Homestead Farms—ordinary	6	3,639	62	40,797
" " for returned soldiers ... ..	...	...	68	41,438
Suburban Holdings—ordinary	12	153	198	2,921
" " for returned soldiers ... ..	...	...	...	...
Settlement Purchases (Closer Settlement Acts) ... ..	...	...	11	8,512
Irrigation Farms	8	239	18	613
Town Blocks (without residence) within an Irrigation Area ... ..	...	...	9	3
Week-end Leases	3	5	36	60
Leases of Town Lands	4	2	41	21
Special Holdings for returned soldiers ... ..	...	...	68	1,596
Homestead Selections ... ..	...	...	2	418
Total	74	31,883	820	402,936

ADDITIONAL HOLDINGS.

Additional Cond'n'l Purchases (Crown Lands)	5	368	62	9,465
Conditional Leases not applied for simultaneously with O.C. Purchases	6	685	56	14,945
Additional Homestead Selections ... ..	...	...	4	1,886
" Settlement Leases ... ..	...	...	2	4,140
" Crown Leases	5	7,159	54	35,705
" " for returned soldiers	1	165	2	196
" Homestead Farms	3	575	31	9,391
" " for returned soldiers ... ..	...	...	4	1,776
Total	20	8,952	215	77,504

AREAS SPECIALLY SET APART FOR RESIDENTIAL SETTLEMENT.

Description of Holding.	During September, 1917.		1st Jan. to 30th Sept., 1917.	
	No. of Blocks.	Area (acres).	No. of Blocks.	Area (acres).
ORIGINAL HOLDINGS.				
Crown Leases—ordinary	38	37,357	443	494,565
" " for returned soldiers ... ..	...	...	36	70,368
Homestead Farms—ordinary	2	2,437	50	39,758
" " for returned soldiers ... ..	...	...	40	30,853
Suburban Holdings—ordinary	2	32	280	3,222
" " for returned soldiers ... ..	...	...	...	...
Special Holdings for returned soldiers	126	3,727	468	13,367
Settlement Purchases (Closer Settlement Acts) ... ..	...	...	8	2,598
Irrigation Farms ... ..	...	...	1	17
Town Blocks (without residence) within an Irrigation Area ... ..	...	...	...	...
Leases of Town Lands ... ..	...	...	1	1
Week-end Leases ... ..	...	...	51	52
Homestead Selection ... ..	...	...	1	65
Original Conditional Purchase ... ..	...	...	1	40
Total	168	43,553	1,380	654,906

ADDITIONAL HOLDINGS.

Every class of Additional Holdings ... ..	...	...	...	...
Additional Conditional Purchase	1	449	9	3,819
" Cond'l. Purchase and Cond'l. Lease ... ..	...	...	6	5,742
" Homestead Selections ... ..	...	...	1	1,860
" Settlement Lease ... ..	...	...	1	1,140
Crown Leases as Additional Holdings	11	17,335	92	74,383
" " for returned soldiers ... ..	...	...	2	196
Homestead Farms as Additional Holdings	2	1,002	33	17,294
" " for returned soldiers	2	1,010	4	2,111
Total	16	19,796	148	106,545

No. 59.—Latest Proclamations as to Prices of Commodities in N.S.W. fixed by order of the Minister of Defence under the Commonwealth War Precautions (Prices) Regulations, 1916.

Commodity.	Date of latest Proclamation.	District Covered.	Unit.	Maximum Price Allowed to be Charged.
Flour (wholesale)† ...	22-5-17	Sydney ...	Ton ...	150 lb. bag, £11 : 100 lb. bag, £11 5s. ; 50 lb. bag, £11 10s. ; 25 lb. bag, £11 15s.
" (retail) ...	10-8-16	" ...	Bag ...	12s. 11d. ; 6s. 6d. ; 3s. 4d.
" (wholesale) ...	22-5-17	Remainder of State	Ton ...	From £10 15s. to £11 10s. } According to locality and size of bag.
" (retail) ...	10-8-16	" ...	Bag ...	" 3s. 2d. to 12s. 11d.
" (wholesale) ...	15-2-17	N.S.W. ...	Ton, booked.	Above prices, plus 2s. 6d.
Bread† ...	30-6-17	Metropolis and Parramatta.	2-lb. loaf ...	3½d. over counter, 4d. delivered.
" ...	25-10-16	Dorrigo area	1-lb. loaf ...	2d., over counter or delivered.
" ...	11-1-17	Glen Innes ...	Loaf ...	1 lb. 3d. ; 2 lb. 4½d. over counter, and 3½d. and 5d. delivered.
" ...	26-4-17	Guyra ...	" ...	" 1 lb. 2½d. ; 2 lb. 4d. over counter, and 3d. and 4½d. delivered.
" ...	17-5-17	Howlong ...	" ...	" 1 lb. 2½d., 2 lb. 4d. ; 3d. and 4½d. if booked
" ...	5-3-17	Grong Grong, Moree, Wee Waa, and Parkes.	" ...	" 1 lb. 2½d ; 2 lb. 4d. ; 3d. and 4½d. if booked.
" ...	5-4-17	Manildra, Kiama, and Narrandera.	" ...	" 1 lb. 3d. ; 2 lb. 4½d. ; 3½d. and 5d. if booked.
" ...	"	Yerranderie area	2-lb. loaf ...	3½d. and 4d. over counter, and 4d. and 4½d. delivered.
" ...	11-8-16	Remainder of State	" ...	Prices according to locality.
Biscuits and Confectionery.	15-8-17	N.S.W. ...	lb. ...	Same as on 10-8-17.
Oatmeal (wholesale) ...	5-7-16	" ...	Ton ...	Plain, £19 ; flaked, £20 10s. ; 1½ cwt. sacks.
" (retail) ...	"	" ...	lb. ...	Plain, 3d. ; flaked, 3½d.
Butter (wholesale)† ...	15-10-17	Sydney ...	cwt. ...	First grade, 149s. 4d. ; second grade, 140s. 6d. ; third grade, 121s. 4d.
" (retail) ...	"	" ...	lb. ...	First grade, 1s. 6d. ; second grade, 1s. 5d. ; third grade, 1s. 3d.
" " ...	"	Other places	" ...	Wholesale prices, plus cost of transport ; Booked, plus ½d. delivered, another ½d. ; ½d. per lb. additional if branded in prints, containers, &c.
Cheese (wholesale)† (see note).	12-6-17	N.S.W. ...	" ...	Large and Medium (new), 9½d. ; Loaf (new) 10d. ; Large and Medium (three months' stored), 11½d. ; Loaf (three months stored), 1s.
" " ...	"	At factory ...	" ...	Above prices, less freight to Sydney.
" " (retail) ...	"	Other places	" ...	Above prices, plus actual carriage.
Hams (wholesale)† ...	25-10-16	N.S.W. ...	" ...	Above prices, plus 3d.
Bacon† ...	"	" ...	" ...	Cloth, 1s. 3½d. ; seed, 1s. 4d. ; Australian and New Zealand.
Hams & Bacon (retail)	"	" ...	" ...	Sides, 1s. ; Flitches, 11½d. ; Middles, 1s. 2d. ; Shoulders, 10d. ; Australian and New Zealand.
Milk (retail)† ...	31-5-17	Co. Cumberland ...	" ...	3½d. more than wholesale prices.
" (for re-sale) ...	"	Newcastle ...	" ...	Quart, 6d. ; pint, 3d. ; half pint, 1½d.
" " ...	"	Co. Cumberland ...	Gallon	Quart, 5½d. ; pint, 3d. ; half-pint, 1½d.
Cream ...	29-5-15	Newcastle ...	" ...	1s. 8d. sold by vendors for re-sale.
" (Nestle's) ...	6-6-17	N.S.W. ...	lb. ...	1s. 6d. sold by vendors for re-sale.
Condensed Milk	4-8-16	" ...	" ...	For other purposes than butter-making, or consumption in N.S.W. The butter value, less 3d. per lb., and less cost of carriage to nearest factory.
" ("Milkmaid").	"	Sydney ...	Tin (4 oz.) ...	Wholesale, 38s. 6d. per dozen ; retail 10d. Other sizes in proportion.
" " ...	"	Sydney and Newcastle.	Tin (large) ...	From 7d. to 9d., according to brand.
" " ...	"	Remainder of State	" ...	Above prices, plus actual carriage.
Sugar I.A. (wholesale)	19-1-16	Sydney and Newcastle.	" ...	Coffee and Milk, 1s. 6d. ; Chocolate and Milk, 1s. 6d. ; Cocoa and Milk, 1s. 3d.
" (retail) ...	"	Remainder of State	" ...	Above prices, plus actual carriage.
" " ...	"	Metropolitan ...	Ton ...	£29 5s.
" " ...	"	Remainder of State	" ...	£29 5s., plus actual freight.
Jam (wholesale)	24-2-16	Metropolitan ...	lb. ...	3½d.
" (retail) ...	"	Remainder of State	" ...	3½d., plus actual freight.
Infants' and Invalids' Foods (imported).	9-6-17	N.S.W. ...	Doz. tins	48s. 7d. to 31s. 9d., according to size of tins and brand.
" " ...	"	" ...	" ...	5d. to 3s., according to size of tins and brand.
Plum Puddings† (wholesale).	23-10-16	Sydney ...	" ...	Wholesale, landed cost, plus 10 per cent. ; retail, wholesale prices, plus 20 per cent.
" (retail) ...	"	Remainder of State	" ...	Above prices, plus cost of transport.
" " ...	"	Cos. Cumberland & Northumberland.	lb. ...	1 lb. tin, 1s. 1½d. ; other sizes, 1s. 1d.
" " ...	"	Rest of State	" ...	1 lb. tin, 1s. 4d. ; other sizes, 1s. 3½d.
Rice (wholesale)	9-6-17	" ...	" ...	Above prices, plus cost of carriage.
" (retail) ...	"	Sydney ...	Ton ...	In 56 lb. bags, 23s. 10d.
" " ...	"	" ...	lb. ...	3½d. ; single lb., 3½d.
" " ...	"	Remainder of State	" ...	Prices at place of purchase, plus transport.

No. 59.—Latest Proclamations as to Prices of Commodities in N.S.W. fixed by order of the Minister of Defence under the Commonwealth War Precautions (Prices) Regulations, 1916—continued.

Commodity.	Date of latest Proclamation.	District Covered.	Unit.	Maximum Price Allowed to be Charged.
Rabbits, cleaned but unskinned (see note)	17-3-17	Sydney ...	Pair, over 4 lb.	1s. 6d. at shop or cart. 1s. 1d. in markets.
" " "	"	" ...	Pair, 3 lb. to 4 lb.	1s. 4d. at shop or cart. 1d. in markets.
Canned Fruit (wholesale)	5-3-17	N.S.W. ...	Doz. tins ...	2 lb. from 7s. 6d. to 10s.; 1 lb. from 4s. 9d. to 6s.
" (retail)	"	" ...	Tin ...	2 lb. from 9½d. to 1s. 0½d.; 1 lb. from 6½d. to 7½d.
Baking powder, free from ammonia, phosphates, and sulphates	17-7-16	Sydney and Newcastle	Ounce ...	Wholesale, 1½d., of net contents of tin. Retail, above price, plus 25 per cent.
Other kinds	"	"	"	Wholesale, 1d. of net contents of tin. Retail, above price, plus 25 per cent.
All kinds	"	Remainder of State	"	Above prices, plus actual carriage.
Bran† (wholesale)	15-10-17	N.S.W. ...	Ton ...	Cash, £4; booked, £4 2s. 6d.
" (retail)	"	"	Bushel	Ton lots, 1s.; bag lots, 1s. 0½d.; less, 1s. 1d.
Pollard† (wholesale)	"	"	Ton ...	Cash, £5 10s.; booked, £5 12s. 6d.
" (retail)	"	"	Bushel	Ton lots, 1s. 3d.; bag lots, 1s. 3½d.; less, 1s. 4d.
Chaff, Lucerne	10-3-16	Co. Cumberland	Ton ...	On rail, £7 10s.; ex store, £3 1s.; elsewhere, £7 10s.*
"	"	Newcastle district	"	On rail, £7 11s.; ex store, £7 16s. 6d.; elsewhere, £7 11s.*
"	"	Remainder of State	"	On rail, £6 10s.; ex store, £7; elsewhere, £6 10s.*
Hay, Lucerne	"	Co. Cumberland	"	On wharf, £6 4s., plus freight.
"	"	"	"	At railway, ex truck, £6 17s. 6d.
"	"	"	"	Ex store, on dray, £7 8s., plus carriage.
"	"	"	"	Other places, £6 17s. 6d.*
"	"	Newcastle district	"	Ex store, on dray, £7 3s. 6d.; elsewhere, £7 3s. 6½d.*
"	"	Remainder of State	"	On farm, in stack, £5; in bales, £5 12s. 6d.
"	"	"	"	On rail or steamer, £5 17s. 6d.
"	"	"	"	Ex store, on dray, £6 7s. 6d., plus carriage.
"	"	"	"	Elsewhere, £5 17s. 6d.*
Chaff and Hay (retail)	"	N.S.W.	Under 1 ton	Wholesale prices, plus 10 per cent.
Oil—				
Kerosene—				
Companies' price	22-8-17	Sydney	8½ gal.	13s. 6d.
Distributors' "	"	"	"	14s. 6d., 2½ per cent. disc., 30 days.
Retail	"	"	Tin, 4½ gal.	8s. 3d.; quart, 6½d.
"	"	Remainder of State	"	Above prices, plus transport.
Benzine (wholesale)	"	Sydney	8 gal.	21s. 8d.
" (retail)	"	"	8 "	23s. 8d.; under 4 gals., 3s. 1d.
"	"	Remainder of State	"	Above prices, plus transport.
Cocoa (retail)	25-5-17	Sydney	Pkts. ...	From 6d. to 11d.
"	"	"	½ lb. tin	From 6d. to 1s. 2d.
"	"	Remainder of State	"	Above prices, plus transport.
Gas	22-2-17	Sydney and North Sydney.	1,000 cub. ft.	4s. 1½d. from 1-3-17 to 31-12-17; thence 4s. 1d.
"	"	Manly	"	4s. 11d. from 1-3-17 to 31-12-17; thence 4s. 10½d.
Tin Plates	6-12-16	N.S.W.	Box, 20" x 14"	£1 15s. at ports; elsewhere add cost of transport.
Glaxo and Lactogen	15-2-17	Sydney	Doz. tins	Wholesale, 15s. 6d., 25s. 9d., and 62s.
"	"	"	Tin	Retail, 1s. 6d., 2s. 6½d., and 6s.
Hides (best salted)	15-10-17	N.S.W.	lb.	25-42 lb., 11d.; others, 10½d.
" (dry)	"	"	"	1s. 1d.
Sulphate of Ammonia	17-9-17	"	Ton	£18. In single bags on buyer's lorries at works.
Galvanized Iron	15-10-17	Sydney	"	Wholesale, 7½ per cent. on cost; Retail, 10 per cent. on cost.
"	"	Remainder of State	"	Above prices, plus transport, to 13 per cent. on cost.
White Lead	"	N.S.W.	Ton	Importer's, £82; Wholesale, £83; Retail, £96 10s. (£4 17s. per cwt., 10½d. per lb.).
Cases and Tins (Oil), second-hand.	"	"	Dozen	Case and 2 tins, 16s.; case, 8s.; tin, 4s.
Scrap Tin	5-10-17	"	Ton	£30, at seller's door.

* Less carriage to nearest rail.

† Since 6th July, 1916, the Minister of Defence has fixed the prices of commodities under the War Precautions (Prices) Regulations, 1916. Up to the present he has made orders in respect of Bread, Flour, Bran, Pollard, Soap, Butter, Milk, Plum Puddings, Cheese, Bacon, Hams, Glaxo, Lactogen, Rabbits, Oil, Cream, Cocoa, Infants' and Invalids' Food, Biscuits, Confectionery, Hides, Sulphate of Ammonia, Galvanized Iron, White Lead, and second-hand Oil Cases and Tins. The prices of all other commodities in the above table remain as fixed by the N.S.W. Necessary Commodities Control Commission, the Minister having adopted those prices when the Commonwealth Government assumed the control of prices under the War Precautions Act. The price of Tallow was fixed at £30 a ton on 5th March, 1917, as from 12th idem, but the proclamation was annulled on 8th idem.

Dates of previous Commonwealth proclamations—

Bread—8-7-16, 10-7-16, 17-10-16. Flour, Bran, and Pollard—6-7-16, 22-7-16, 7-8-16, 9-8-16, 27-9-16, 15-2-17, 17-5-17, 22-5-17.

Butter—21-9-16, 23-10-16, 6-6-17, 7-9-17, 17-9-17. Milk—27-9-16, 25-10-16. Plum Puddings—27-9-16.

Cheese—5-10-16, 25-10-16, 28-5-17. Soap—31-8-16, 12-12-16, 9-2-17, annulled 5-4-17.

Rice—10-1-16. Oil—17-7-16, 10-5-17. Hides—16-8-17. Galvanized Iron—8-8-17, 25-8-17.

NOTE.—On the outbreak of the Railway and Tramway strike in August, 1917, the N.S.W. Commission met, after thirteen months' inactivity, and declared the maximum prices of all foodstuffs to be those ruling on 1st August, 1917. As the strike extended, prices were gazetted for the following commodities:—Meat, 17-8-17; Salt, 31-8-17 and 12-10-17; Rabbits, Meat, and Coal, 5-9-17; Methylated Spirits, 9-8-17, 26-9-17, 12-10-17; Cheese, 26-9-17. The proclamation regarding Meat was annulled on 26-10-17.

No. 60.—Comparative Summary—New South Wales, 1861-1915-16.

	1861.	1871.	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1915-16.
Area, 809,460 square miles.							
Population.							
31st December ... persons	357,978	517,758	782,080	1,162,190	1,376,199	1,698,736	1,857,920
Births ... No.	14,081	20,143	28,993	39,458	37,875	47,077	52,075
" ... rate	41'56	39'64	37'90	34'55	27'71	28'64	28'00
Deaths ... No.	5,343	6,407	11,536	16,286	16,021	17,179	19,854
" ... rate	15'12	12'61	15'08	14'26	11'72	10'32	10'68
Marriages ... No.	3,222	3,953	6,284	8,457	10,538	15,267	16,320
" ... rate	9'12	7'78	8'21	7'41	7'71	9'17	8'78
Agriculture.							
Total area under crop... acres	295,917	393,413	583,868	846,383	2,276,528	3,629,170	5,794,835
Wheat—Area ... bshl.	123,408	154,030	221,887	356,666	1,392,070	2,380,710	4,188,865
Yield... bshl.	1,606,034	2,229,642	3,405,966	3,963,668	14,808,705	23,068,102	66,764,910
Average ... "	13'0	14'5	15'4	11'1	10'6	10'5	15'9
Maize—Area ... acres	57,959	119,956	117,478	174,577	167,333	167,781	154,130
Yield... bshl.	1,727,434	4,015,973	4,330,956	5,721,706	3,844,993	4,507,342	3,773,600
Average ... "	29'8	33'5	36'9	32'8	22'9	26'9	24'5
Hay—Area ... acres	45,175	51,805	146,610	163,863	442,163	654,149	1,108,910
Yield... tons	57,363	77,460	198,532	209,417	472,621	728,474	1,573,938
Average ... "	1'27	1'50	1'36	1'28	1'07	1'11	1'42
Total value of all Agricultural production	£ *	2,220,000	4,215,000	3,615,000	7,060,000	9,749,000	20,362,000
Total value per acre under crop ... "	£ *	5/11/9	7/4/5	4/5/5	3/2/0	2/13/9	3/10/3
Pastoral, Dairying, &c.							
Sheep ... No.	5,615,054	16,278,697	36,591,946	61,831,416	41,857,099	44,947,287	32,600,729
Cattle ... "	2,271,923	2,014,888	2,597,348	2,128,838	2,047,454	3,894,236	2,405,770
Horses ... "	233,220	304,100	398,577	466,647	486,710	689,004	719,542
Pigs ... "	140,091	213,193	213,916	253,189	265,730	371,093	281,158
Production of Wool ... lb.	19,254,800	74,401,300	161,676,000	375,600,000	310,075,000	371,546,000	262,045,000
Value (F.O.B., Sydney)	£ 1,408,000	4,760,000	7,187,200	11,059,300	9,072,100	13,264,000	12,291,000
Production of Butter... lb.	*	*	*	18,302,897	39,056,878	83,204,568	59,631,543
" Cheese... "	*	*	*	5,506,071	3,838,835	5,460,652	5,979,536
" Bacon & Ham ... "	*	*	*	0,009,600	11,080,891	16,102,827	13,576,641
Total value of Pastoral and Dairying Production	£ *	8,709,000	13,151,000	17,460,000	15,598,000	24,649,000	27,049,000
Mineral Production.							
Gold ... oz. fine	425,209	294,389	135,033	131,654	173,543	181,121	108,145
" ... oz.	1,805,171	1,250,485	573,582	559,231	737,164	769,353	459,370
Silver ... "	*	*	*	729,590	448,501	1,767,497	2,801,597
" ... £	*	*	*	134,850	50,484	177,095	349,307
Silver-lead & ore, &c. ... ton	*	*	*	147,780	317,078	338,469	249,849
" ... £	*	*	*	3,484,739	1,803,979	2,265,669	2,935,624
Copper—ingots & ore &c. ... ton	*	*	4,124	6,733	12,100	6,171	0,710
" ... £	3,532	11,828	267,884	119,105	412,292	590,102	586,127
Tin—ingots and ore ... ton	*	*	6,433	1,657	659	1,929	2,129
" ... £	(2) 12,227	568,795	133,993	76,544	307,089	306,497	306,497
Zinc—Spelter, Concentrates ton	*	*	*	219	632	516,378	209,741
" ... £	*	*	*	2,622	4,057	1,414,980	961,849
Coal ... ton	342,068	898,785	1,769,597	4,037,929	5,968,426	8,691,604	8,127,161
" ... £	218,821	316,340	603,248	1,742,796	2,178,929	3,167,165	3,339,419
Total value of all Mineral Production	£ 2,029,000	1,626,000	2,138,000	6,434,000	5,681,000	9,410,000	10,515,856
Production from Minor Primary Industries (including Forests and Fisheries).							
Production all Primary Industries	£ *	12,955,000	20,155,000	28,267,000	29,072,000	47,058,000	62,512,000
" " " per head	£ *	25/9/10	26/6/11	24/15/1	21/5/4	28/5/5	33/8/5
Land Settlement.							
Alienated holdings—							
1,000 acres and under ... No.	*	*	36,259	46,566	64,950	81,722	84,504
" ... area	*	*	6,628,310	8,827,066	10,673,563	13,669,311	14,551,620
1,000 to 10,000 acres ... No.	*	*	2,646	4,307	5,160	7,803	8,951
" ... area	*	*	6,990,312	11,370,329	13,305,738	19,551,728	22,452,399
Over 10,000 acres ... No.	*	*	449	677	719	708	722
" ... area	*	*	14,073,587	21,884,299	22,638,524	20,185,845	19,284,960
Manufactories.							
Number of Factories ...	601	1,813	2,961	3,056	3,367	5,039	5,210
Hands employed ... males	*	*	28,819	43,203	54,556	82,123	87,724
" ... females	*	*	2,372	7,676	11,674	26,541	28,677
Salaries and Wages paid ... £	*	*	*	4,572,704	4,945,079	10,051,161	13,413,845
Value of Machinery and Plant	£ *	*	*	4,386,475	5,860,725	12,510,600	18,211,104
Total value of Output ... £	*	*	*	16,807,132	25,648,471	54,340,011	70,939,864
Value of Production (value added to raw materials) ... £	*	2,424,000	5,025,000	7,799,000	9,742,000	19,143,000	24,927,000
" " " per head	£ *	4/15/5	6/11/4	6/16/7	7/2/6	11/10/-	13/6/6
Shipping.							
Inwards, Vessels ... No.	1,327	1,891	2,254	2,602	2,760	3,127	3,045
" ... tons	366,235	706,019	1,456,239	2,752,157	4,133,200	6,822,135	6,552,235
Outwards, Vessels ... No.	1,399	2,123	2,103	2,654	2,853	3,146	3,062
" ... tons	379,462	794,460	1,330,261	2,801,320	4,274,101	6,833,782	6,574,582

* Not available.

(2) Year 1872. (3) Value of Forests and Fisheries only. Other minor industries (poultry, bees, &c.) are included in Pastoral and Dairying.

No. 60.—Comparative Summary—New South Wales, 1861-1915-16—*contd.*

	1861.	1871.	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1915-16.
Trade.							
Imports, Oversea	£ 4,547,813	5,481,655	11,829,097	15,127,641	17,560,207	27,343,428	33,379,698
" " per head ...	£ 12/17/6	10/15/9	15/9/3	13/4/11	12/16/11	16/8/7	17/17/3
Exports, Oversea	£ 3,690,748	5,452,840	9,753,644	14,620,889	18,210,627	32,101,401	40,975,416
" " per head ...	£ 10/8/11	10/14/7	12/15/-	12/16/0	13/8/5	19/6/5	21/18/6
Interstate Transfers, Inwards	£ 2,056,256	4,453,412	5,758,095	10,255,756	9,368,011	*	*
" " Outwards	£ 2,918,713	5,808,379	6,554,161	11,323,131	9,140,497	*	*
Produce of New South Wales, exported Oversea. (1)							
Wool (greasy and scoured) lb.	12,745,891	38,323,302	81,906,922	235,470,988	217,285,747	295,315,438	254,633,558
" " bus.	£ 1,359,426	2,292,522	4,107,715	7,670,460	7,420,119	11,704,409	13,022,576
Wheat and Flour	£ 28,025	8,445	21,999	54,947	5,204,892	14,324,845	11,773,022
" " bus.	£ 9,570	2,414	5,337	11,683	680,719	2,519,354	3,386,676
Butter	£ (2) 53,088	(2) 1,153,040	402,421	401,690	8,099,317	33,044,324	4,305,927
" " lb.	£ 2,536	27,415	11,992	17,756	379,341	1,518,993	259,834
Frozen Mutton ... ..	£ ...	...	*	*	39,369,792	59,948,989	26,443,085
" " lb.	£ ...	...	*	*	382,385	682,027	543,753
Other Meats	£ 11,536	130,999	191,774	194,013	381,768	607,002	435,716
Tallow	£ 58,393	245,352	244,271	292,672	362,631	871,018	227,317
Leather	£ 6,810	83,899	130,417	130,774	347,327	323,517	538,401
Skins and Hides	£ 77,127	38,115	130,277	376,295	431,232	1,145,138	1,307,114
Minerals and Ores (exclusive of Gold)	£ 65,372	248,996	1,214,085	1,392,076	1,893,314	4,072,531	7,561,045
Timber, undressed	£ 2,221	3,990	12,930	44,437	76,124	243,811	142,990
Public Finance. (3)							
Net Revenue proper	£ 1,421,831	2,215,846	6,551,134	9,773,332	11,007,356	15,776,816	19,629,442
" " per head ...	£ 4/0/6	4/7/2	8/11/3	8/11/2	7/10/11	9/5/9	10/10/11
Expenditure proper	£ 1,520,788	2,660,948	5,625,749	10,215,820	11,008,373	15,277,001	18,931,814
" " per head ...	£ 4/6/7	5/4/11	7/7/1	8/18/11	8/-	8/19/10	10/9/3
Loan Expenditure	£ 409,121	400,727	2,397,368	4,750,167	4,939,241	5,491,103	8,173,104
" " per head ...	£ 1/3/2	19/3	31/2/8	41/3/2	31/1/9	31/4/8	41/7/6
Banks.							
Deposits	£ 5,029,692	7,043,886	20,308,017	35,659,690	33,258,456	57,140,156	77,494,960
Advances	£ 5,764,059	7,668,022	20,935,596	45,068,914	35,068,787	46,916,008	59,101,909
Assets	£ 8,809,829	11,592,076	27,870,483	53,596,259	43,437,559	64,881,499	88,925,125
Liabilities	£ 6,292,170	8,016,832	22,394,316	37,589,764	35,077,832	58,349,554	82,783,460
Savings Banks.							
Depositors	No. 13,282	24,379	72,384	158,426	306,311	544,023	806,882
Deposits	£ 615,409	945,015	2,698,701	5,342,135	11,808,710	25,361,338	37,363,272
Average per depositor ...	£ 45/6/8	38/16/-	37/5/8	33/14/5	38/11/-	46/12/4	45/6/1
" " per head of population	£ 1/14/5	1/16/6	3/9/-	4/11/11	8/11/7	14/18/7	20/-8
Railways. (4)							
Length of Line open ... miles	74	359	996	2,197	3,026	3,832	4,188
Capital cost	£ 1,536,032	5,887,258	13,301,597	33,312,608	40,565,073	53,514,993	68,825,592
Passengers carried	No. 595,591	759,062	6,907,312	19,918,916	30,885,214	70,706,728	92,850,838
Net Earnings	£ 13,817	158,257	705,892	1,193,044	1,401,317	2,321,882	2,344,910
Net return on capital invested per cent.	90	269	531	358	348	441	345
Tramways. (4)							
Length of Line open ... miles	...	...	91	48	104	195	221
Capital cost ... ..	£ ...	...	169,450	1,099,659	2,829,363	5,664,324	8,166,423
Passengers carried	No. ...	...	7,090,125	71,477,948	108,135,111	266,789,546	292,021,774
Net Earnings ... ..	£ ...	...	10,442	56,799	89,773	249,980	388,978
Net return on capital invested per cent.	...	...	616	528	317	463	482
Postal.							
Number of Offices	340	570	1,128	1,728	2,208	2,490	2,640
Letters and Post Cards dealt with	No. 4,369,463	7,599,500	26,534,160	68,987,300	82,783,467	189,656,401	219,525,661
" " per head ...	£ 12/3/7	14/7/7	34/6/8	60/41	60/50	113/94	117/48
Newspapers dealt with ...	No. 3,384,245	3,992,100	16,527,900	42,517,300	52,317,650	71,619,194	72,057,335
" " per head ...	£ 9/5/8	7/8/6	21/6/0	37/23	38/27	43/03	38/56
Telegraphs.							
Number of Stations	36	89	318	674	978	1,406	2,107
Length of wire (5)	miles 1,981	5,579	14,278	24,780	46,153	31,123	37,236
Telegrams	No. 74,204	218,530	1,607,206	4,046,251	3,449,315	5,863,560	7,027,084
Money Orders.							
Issued in New South Wales	£ ...	293,370	771,978	1,577,744	1,637,488	2,819,183	5,282,556
Paid	£ ...	271,842	675,025	1,518,987	1,669,730	2,949,264	5,197,500
Public Schools.							
Schools at close of the year	No. 179	659	1,405	2,461	2,818	3,125	3,188
Teachers	No. ...	810	2,199	4,438	5,212	6,517	7,830
Scholars on roll (6)	No. 11,660	39,070	144,119	206,438	210,588	221,810	204,713
Average attendance	No. ...	*	*	122,528	154,404	160,776	200,695
Expenditure by the State on Education, etc.	£ 76,911	151,225	687,422	1,002,379	918,819	1,390,146	1,860,518

* Not available.

(1) The exports in 1914-15 include articles produced in other States of Australia. Since 1st January, 1912, the Federal Customs Department has classified all goods produced in the Commonwealth simply as "Australian," without distinguishing, as formerly, the particular State where they were produced. (2) Includes cheese.

(3) For 1861 Gross Revenue and Expenditure are shown. Particulars for 1901 and 1911 are for the year ended 30th June following. Transfers to Public Works Fund and Closer Settlement Fund are excluded in 1911 and 1914-15. (4) Subsequent to 1881 the particulars are for the year ended 30th June following. (5) 1891 and 1901 include telephone wire; 1911 is exclusive of mileage of wire erected for railways. (6) 1901 and following years are for the December quarter.

No. 61.—New South Wales Wheat Areas, 1917.

Owing to the recent industrial trouble, the collection of particulars relating to the area sown with Wheat during the current season has been delayed considerably. The returns from a number of important wheat-growing districts are still outstanding, but sufficient information has been received to enable a fairly reliable estimate to be made of the area sown.

Owing to the very dry autumn, ploughing operations were hampered considerably, and it was anticipated early in the year that the Wheat area would be less by 20 per cent. than the area sown last season. The compilation shows, however, that the decrease, although considerable, is not so large as expected, as it amounts to 697,692 acres, or about 15½ per cent., ranging from 10 per cent. in the Riverina to 35 per cent. in parts of the Tableland.

The subjoined table gives a Summary of the Areas in each of the important divisions, in comparison with the actual returns for the previous year:—

Divisions.	Actual Areas, 1916-17.			Estimated Areas, 1917-18.		
	For Grain.	For Hay.	*Total.	For Grain.	For Hay.	Total.
	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
Coastal Belt—						
North Coast ... ..	.....	46	64	.....	22	22
Hunter and Manning ...	9,442	5,192	17,890	8,938	2,950	11,888
Cumberland	20	513	696	52	162	214
South Coast	209	753	1,128	120	336	456
Total	9,671	6,504	19,778	9,110	3,470	12,580
Tableland—						
Northern	4,268	5,520	11,755	5,360	2,270	7,630
Central	72,045	46,962	134,805	75,840	26,830	102,670
Southern	11,079	4,220	16,809	10,030	1,720	11,750
Total	87,392	56,702	163,369	91,230	30,820	122,050
Western Declivity—						
North-Western Slope ..	352,629	46,101	496,867	332,850	35,570	368,420
Central „ „ ...	575,593	124,928	775,590	561,950	97,410	659,360
South „ „ ...	754,893	93,265	933,756	721,510	75,290	796,800
Total	1,683,025	264,294	2,206,213	1,616,310	208,270	1,824,580
Central Plains and Riverina—						
North-Central Plain ...	12,545	6,424	20,474	10,580	4,550	15,130
Central Plain	492,036	95,411	670,876	483,070	65,730	548,800
Riverina	1,235,325	162,298	1,421,757	1,144,230	136,580	1,280,810
Total	1,739,906	264,133	2,113,107	1,637,880	206,860	1,844,740
Western Plains	1,337	6,186	7,725	2,300	6,250	8,550
Total, New South Wales	3,521,331	597,819	4,510,192	3,356,830	455,670	3,812,500

* During 1916, in the aggregate 391,042 acres were "fed-off" or otherwise used as green feed, the details for each division being included in the total column.

As in the three preceding years, the results in the foregoing table depend upon returns vouched and furnished by the farmers. There were a few exceptions, namely, in those districts where the collection has been delayed on account of the withdrawal of Police Officers for special duty in the metropolis in connection with the recent strike—in those cases estimates were made based upon the conditions in adjoining districts from which returns had been received.

It appears that the area sown is 697,692 acres less than in the previous season. Decreases occur in each Division except the far Western Plains, where a slightly larger area has been cropped for hay. Taking the six principal divisions comprising the Wheat Belt, the decreases range from about 10 per cent. in Riverina to 26 per cent. on the North Western Slope; and they are attributed to a variety of causes. Among the principal reasons advanced is the labour shortage, as regards both the putting-in and the taking-off of the crop. Wet weather delayed harvesting operations in connection with the 1916-17 crop in a number of districts, and farmers were unable to commence ploughing as early as usual. Owing to the dry weather during the autumn, the ground became too hard for ploughing, and, in a number of districts, after the land had been sown, the seed was eaten by mice, and large areas had to be re-sown, sometimes more than once. In a number of districts there has been a scarcity of labour for farming operations generally, and as wages have advanced considerably, farmers hesitated to crop a larger area than could be harvested comfortably by themselves. The unsettled state of the Wheat market and the difficulty in disposing of the crop on account of the war, have again contributed materially to the reduction, whilst in other instances the comparatively higher prices ruling for sheep and wool have induced many farmers temporarily to abandon wheat-growing for sheep. On the basis of the returns received, it appears that the area for Hay will be about 455,670 acres, or nearly 12 per cent. of the total area sown with Wheat.

It is estimated that 3,356,830 acres will be reserved for grain, and although this area is below the grain area of each of the two previous seasons, it is over 151,000 acres in excess of the area harvested for grain in 1913-14, when 38,000,000 bushels were garnered.

The Wheat Crops, generally, suffered from the absence of moisture in the early stages, and up to the last rainfall gave little indication of yielding a payable crop. The September rainfall, however, made a very great difference in the crops, and there is now every prospect of a fair average yield.

The subjoined table shows the progress made in Wheat cultivation since 1907-8:—

Season.	Area under Wheat—			
	For Grain.	For Hay.	Fed-off.	Total.
	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
1907-08	1,390,171	365,925	129,813	1,885,909
1908-09	1,394,056	490,828	104,202	1,989,086
1909-10	1,990,180	380,784	5,825	2,376,789
1910-11	2,128,826	422,972	61,458	2,613,250
1911-12	2,380,710	440,243	80,731	2,901,684
1912-13	2,231,514	704,221	31,557	2,967,292
1913-14	3,205,397	534,226	23,393	3,763,016
1914-15	2,758,024	569,431	815,561	4,143,016
1915-16	4,188,865	879,678	53,702	5,122,245
*1916-17	3,521,331	597,819	391,042	4,510,192
†1917-18	3,356,830	455,670	.....	3,812,500

* Subject to revision.

† Estimated.

The following information has also been prepared, relating to the Wheat Areas during 1917, and the table below shows the areas of new and fallowed land sown, and the areas under early, mid-season, and late crops in the various divisions of the State:—

Division.	Area of Crops.*		Total Area Sown with Wheat.	Area under.†	
	On New Land.	On Fallowed Land.		Early Crops.	Mid-season Crops.
	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
Coastal Belt—					
North Coast ... ..	.....	18	22	8	14
Hunter and Manning ...	987	2,330	11,888	735	3,061
Cumberland ... ..	.....	132	214	51	163
South Coast	24	35	456	.....	28
Total	1,011	2,515	12,580	794	3,266
Tableland--					
Northern	263	1,053	7,630	1,357	2,248
Central	4,438	17,193	102,670	24,761	53,319
Southern	687	1,124	11,750	1,160	8,241
Total	5,388	19,370	122,050	27,278	63,808
Western Declivity--					
North-Western Slope ...	8,991	23,296	368,420	16,674	94,246
Central „ „ ...	95,872	109,146	659,360	70,428	323,261
South „ „ ...	34,914	192,919	796,800	121,656	588,445
Total	139,777	325,361	1,824,580	208,758	1,005,952
Central Plains and Riverina--					
North-Central Plain ...	1,624	616	15,130	1,966	4,121
Central Plain	38,596	63,748	548,800	45,664	339,112
Riverina	63,294	417,227	1,280,810	325,933	786,343
Total	103,514	481,591	1,844,740	373,563	1,129,576
Western Plains	1,996	2,190	8,550	649	6,366
Total, New South Wales ...	251,686	831,027	3,812,500	611,042	2,208,968

* Balance of area on old land (stubble).

† Balance of area under late crops.

The areas of new and fallowed land cultivated this season are less than any of the four preceding years, as will be seen from the following statement:—

Year.	New Land. acres.	Fallowed Land. acres.
1916	323,560	845,969
1915	554,614	993,999
1914	412,081	947,673
1913	569,750	983,330

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9th October, 1917.

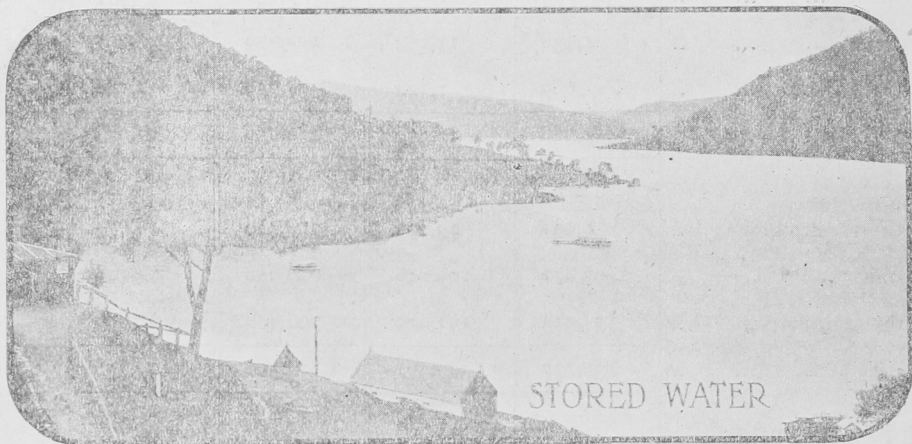
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